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Ser 18007346
July 10, 2018

Mr. James Lanphar
53019 Bantry Bay Street
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Dear Mr. Lanphar:

This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act request of May 10, 2018, in which you requested a copy of the investigation into the circumstances surrounding the four marines killed in a fire that occurred on or about the year 1996 in Camp Pendleton CA. Your request was referred to this office from NCIS on or about May 11, 2018 and assigned JAG file number DON-NAVY-2018-007346.

Your request has been processed in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. § 552), Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. § 552a), Part 701 of Title 32 of the Code of Federal Regulations, the Department of the Navy Freedom of Information Act Program (SECNAVINST 5720.42F), and the Department of the Navy Privacy Act Program (SECNAVINST 5211.5E).

This office serves as the custodian and designated release authority for any command investigation conducted pursuant to the Manual of the Judge Advocate General (JAGMAN) convened prior to January 1996, and my response is limited to that part of your request.

For the reasons stated below, I grant in part and deny in part the release of information contained in the requested records.

All personal information contained in the records being released to you has been withheld pursuant to Exemption (b)(6) of the Freedom of Information Act and Navy policy, as release of this information would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

There are no assessable fees associated with the processing of your request in this office.

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You may contact our FOIA Head, Ms. Ragini Patel at (202) 685-4600 or by email at ragini.patel@navy.mil, as well as our FOIA Public Liaison, Ms. Robin Patterson at (202) 685-6545 or by email at donfoia-pa@navy.mil for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

I am the official responsible for the partial denial of your request. If you are not satisfied with the response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to:

Department of the Navy
Office of the Judge Advocate General (Code 14)
1322 Patterson Avenue, Suite 3000
Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5066

Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within 90 days of the date of the response to your request. A statement as to why your appeal should be granted should be included and a copy of this letter should be attached. Both the appeal letter and the envelope should bear the notation, "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Sincerely,



Foia H. H. DRONBERGER
Director
Claims and Tort Litigation

Enclosure:
JAGMAN Investigation

FAC 0411A/LBH:jvw
20 June 1967

PERSONAL MEMORANDUM

From: L. B. Hicks, Fire Prot. Engr. Br., Code 0411A
To: Mrs. Hawk, Investigations Division, Code 33,
Rm. 2518, Office of Judge Advocate General

Dear B-6

Enclosed is the JAG investigation which was forwarded
for our review. Many thanks. The previous NavFac
endorsement (4th end.) is satisfactory.

Personal regards,

B-6

Enclosure

8 JUN 1967

Op-09BLL/jm
Ser 469P09BLL



SEVENTH ENDORSEMENT on Board of Investigation report of
17 November 1966

From: Chief of Naval Operations
To: Judge Advocate General

Subj: Investigation - Deaths of LCPL R. L. ZARBOK, USMC,
B-6 PFC C. J. HANSHEW, USMC, B-6 PFC
L. W. HENDRIX, USMC, B-6, and PVT L. W. CONNOR,
USMC, B-6 on 2 November 1966 and PFC H. TERRAZAS,
USMC, B-6 on 5 November 1966

1. Returned, contents noted.

B-6

By direction

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Bnd[#] 7012-66

DKE:pmh
14 April 1967

SIXTH ENDORSEMENT on subject record

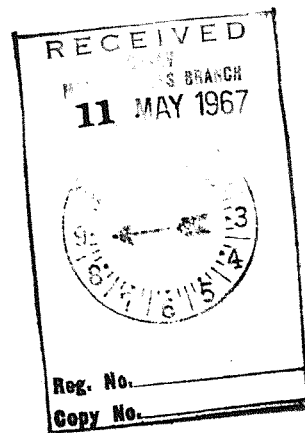
From: Commandant of the Marine Corps
To: Chief of Naval Operations

Subj: Inves.-Deaths of LCPL Roger L. ZARBOK, USMC, B-6
PFC Cecil J. HANSHEW, USMC, B-6 PFC Leslie W.
HENDRIX, USMC, B-6 and PVT Lewis W. CONNOR, USMC,
B-6 on 2 November 1966 and PFC Henry TERRAZAS, USMC,
B-6, on 5 November 1966

1. Forwarded, contents noted.

B-6

By direction



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MAT 09C:RHR
9 February 1967

FIFTH ENDORSEMENT on subject record

From: Chief of Naval Material
To: Chief of Naval Operations
Via: Commandant of the Marine Corps

Subj: Inves. - Deaths of LCPL Roger L. ZARBOK, USMC, B-6
PFC Cecil J. HANSHEW, USMC, B-6 PFC Leslie W. HENDRIX,
USMC, B-6 and PVT Lewis W. CONNOR, USMC, B-6 on
2 November 1966 and PFC Henry TERRAZAS, USMC, B-6 on
5 November 1966

1. Forwarded, contents noted.

B-6
By direction

NAVFACENGCOM 017A:cav
6 February 1967

FOURTH ENDORSEMENT on subject record

From: Commander, Naval Facilities Engineering Command
To: Chief of Naval Operations
Via: (1) Chief of Naval Material
(2) Commandant of the Marine Corps

Subj: Inves. - Deaths of LCPL Roger L. ZARBOK, USMC, B-6
PFC Cecil J. HANSHEW, USMC, B-6 PFC Leslie W. HENDRIX,
USMC, B-6 and PVT Lewis W. CONNOR, USMC, B-6 on
2 November 1966 and PFC Henry TERRAZAS, USMC, B-6 on
5 November 1966

1. Forwarded.

2. It is noted that there is no evidence of deficiencies in equipment under technical cognizance of this Command.

B-6

By direction

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BUMED:3331:JLS:als (D)
ZARBOK, Roger Lee
2162902
27 January 1967

THIRD ENDORSEMENT on subject record

From: Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery
To: Chief of Naval Operations
Via: (1) Commander, Naval Facilities Engineering Command
(2) Chief of Naval Material
(3) Commandant of the Marine Corps
Subj: Inves. - Deaths of LCPL Roger L. ZARBOK, USMC, B-6
PFC Cecil J. HANSHEW, USMC, B-6 PFC Leslie W. HENDRIX,
USMC, B-6 and PVT Lewis W. CONNOR, USMC, B-6 on
2 November 1966 and PFC Henry TERRAZAS, USMC, B-6 on
5 November 1966

1. Forwarded, medical aspects noted.

B-6
By direction

SECOND ENDORSEMENT on subject record

From: Judge Advocate General
To: Chief of Naval Operations
Via: (1) Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery
(2) Commander, Naval Facilities Engineering Command
(3) Chief of Naval Material
(4) Commandant of the Marine Corps

Subj: Inves. - Deaths of LCPL Roger L. ZARBOK, USMC, B-6
PFC Cecil J. HANSHEW, USMC, B-6, PFC Leslie W. HENDRIX, USMC, B-6 and PVT Lewis W. CONNOR, USMC, B-6 on
2 November 1966 and PFC Henry TERRAZAS, USMC, B-6 on
5 November 1966

1. Forwarded for information and return.
2. Under provisions of the Servicemen's and Veteran's Survivor and Benefits Act (10 USC 1475-1480), payment of the death gratuity is not dependent upon Department of the Navy determination of conduct and line of duty status at time of the death of ZARBOK, HANSHEW, HENDRIX, CONNOR, and TERRAZAS.
3. Payment of other federal death benefits that may be due the survivors will be determined by the Veterans Administration on the basis of the actual facts and circumstances contained in subject investigation and independently of any conclusions and opinions expressed in the report.
4. The proceedings in the attached case have been conducted in substantial compliance with the requirements of the Manual of the Judge Advocate General and are therefore legal.

Copy to:
CG, MCB, CAMPEN

B-6
By direction

27 DEC 1966

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14 DEC 1966



FIRST ENDORSEMENT on Bd of Inves report of 17 Nov 1966

From: Commanding General, Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton,
California 92055

To: Judge Advocate General, Navy Department, Washington,
D. C. 20350

Subj: Inves. -- Deaths and injuries to personnel of this
command arising out of fire fighting activity aboard
the military reservation, Camp Pendleton, California
on 2 Nov 1966

1. Readdressed and forwarded.
2. Pertinent Base Orders will be reviewed and necessary
revisions will be accomplished.
3. The proceedings, findings of fact, opinions and recom-
mendations of the Board of Investigation are approved.

BL

Copy to:
CMC

*5 deaths
4-2 deaths
1-3 deaths
1-2 deaths
2-1 deaths
2-1 deaths*

Veterans Administration
Records Development Section
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NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

PRIORITY
PI 030540Z NOV 66
FM CG MARCORB CAMPEN

TO SECNAV

INFO CMC
BUNED
COMNINE
COMELEVEN
DIRNINTH MARCORDIST
TWO SIC RIFLECO USMCR NMCRTC NAS TWIN CITIES
NAVHOSP CAMPEN
STGBN MARCORBASE CAMPEN
FHTNO GREAT LAKES

UNCLAS

REPORT OF DEATH - SNONBATTLE
A: MARCORPERSMAN PARA 12154

1. IAW REF A FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE REPORTED:

A. LANCE CORPORAL ROGER LEE ZARBOOK, *B-6* USMC STAGBN
MCB CAMPEN CALIF

B. ACDU

C. DEAD

D. APPRDX 0930 2NOV66 IN LAS PULGAS LAKE AREA, CAMP PENDLETON
FROM MULTIPLE EXTREME BURNS ENTIRE BODY WHEN FLAMES APPARENTLY
ENGULFED HIM WHILE HE WAS ENGAGED IN FIGHTING A SEVERE
BRUSH FIRE. FIRM DETAILS PENDING INVESTIGATION.

E. REMAINS LOCATED AT USNH CAMPEN CALIF

F.

B-6
G. OFFICIALLY NOTIFIED:

1. YES (FIGURE 12-25)

H. 5AUG65

I. INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY THIS COMD

J. PAY DATA:

1. LCPL E-3

2. \$121.80

3. 1 YR 2 MOS 28 DAYS

MED(2)/CMC...ACT

007(6) FP(1) JAG(5) NAVREL(3) +

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NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

4. ^{B-6}
 5. SAME AS FBX TROT
 6. NO
 7. SAME AS FOX TROT
 8. \$10,000
 9. ^{B-6} (FATHER) ^{B-6}
 MINNESOTA NO SETTLEMENT OPTION
 K. LUTHERAN
 L. REQ DIR NINTH MARCOR DIST DESIGNATE UNIT TO MAKE CONDOLENCE CALL
 M. PFC LESLIE WADE HENDRIX, ^{B-6} USMC, DEAD
 PVT CECIL JAMES HANSHEW, ^{B-6} USMC, DEAD
 PVT LEWIS WAYNE CONNOR, M ^{B-6} JSMC, DEAD
 PFC HENRY TERRAZAS, ^{B-6} USMC, CRITICAL

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

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FM CG MARCORB CAMPEN

TO SECNAV

INFO CMC

BUMED

COMTWELVE

COMELEVEN

TWELFTH MARCORDIST

FOURTH SHPTYBN USMC MCRTC NAS SEATTLE

NAVHOSP CAMPEN

STGBN MARCORB CAMPEN

FHTNC GREAT LAKES

UNCLAS

REPORT OF DEATH - NONBATTLE

A. MARCORPERSMAN PAR 12154

1. IAW REF A FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE REPORTED:

A. PRIVATE CECIL JAMES HANSEW, B-6 USMC STAGBN MCB
CAMPEN CALIF

B. ACDU

C. DEAD

D. APPROX 0930 2NOV66 IN LAS PULGAS LAKE AREA, CAMP PENDLETON
FROM MULTIPLE EXTREME BURNS ENTIRE BODY WHEN FLAMES APPARENTLY
ENGULFED HIM WHILE HE WAS ENGAGED IN FIGHTING A SEVERE BRUSH
FIRE. FIRMS DETAILS PENDING INVESTIGATION.

E. REMAINS LOCATED AT USNH CAMPEN CALIF

F. B-6
(MOTHER) B-6

G. OFFICIALLY NOTIFIED:

1. YES, (FIGURE 12-25)

H. 12NOV65

I. INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY THIS COMD

J. PAY DATA:

1. PVT E-1

2. \$96.90

3. 11 MOS 21 DAYS

4. B-6

MED(2)/CMC . . . ACT

007(6) FP(1) JAG(5) NAVREL(3) +

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NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

5. SAME AS FOX TROT
 6. NO
 7. SAME AS FOX TROT
 8. \$10,000
 9. *B-6* (MOTHER) *B-6*
 WASHINGTON LUMP SUM
 K. METHODIST
 L. REQ DIR TWELVTH MARCOR DIST DESIGNATE UNIT TO MAKE CONDOLENCE
 CALL
 M. LCPL ROGER LEE ZARBOK, *B-6* USMC, DEAD
 PFC LESLIE WADE HENDRIX, *B-6* , USMC, DEAD
 PVT LEWIS WAYNE CONNOR, M *B-6* , USMC, DEAD
 PFC HENRY TERRAZAS, *B-6* USMC, CRITICAL

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NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

PRIORITY
P 052129Z NOV 66
FM NAVHOSP CAMPEN

TO SECNAV

INFO CMC
BUMED
COMELEVEN
COMEIGHT
CG MARCORB CAMPEN
UNIT 4004 4THREPLCO STGBN, MARCORB CAMPEN
DIREIGHTH MARCORDIST
FHTNC GLAKES

UNCLAS

REPORT OF DEATH - NON BATTLE
A. MARCORPERSMAN PAR 12154

1. IAW REF A FOL INFO FURN:

A. PFC HENRY TERRAZAS, *B-6* NIT 4004 4THREPLCO, STGBN,
MARCORB CP

B. ACTIVE

C. DEAD

D. 5 NOVEMBER 1966 0340 USNH CAMPEN, 3RD DEGREE BURNS 90 PERCENT
RECEIVED WHEN FIGHTING BRUSH FIRE ON 2 NOV 1966 ON MARCORB CAMPEN,

E. NAVHOSP CAMPEN MORGUE PENDING INST NOK,

F. *B-6*

ST., AUSTIN, TEXAS.

G. OFFICIALLY NOTIFIED:

1. YES, (FIGURE 12-25)

H. 8 FEBRUARY 1966.

I. INVES BEING CONDUCTED BY CG MCB CAMPEN.

J. PAY DATA:

1. PFC E-2

2. 100.50

3. 8 MOS 25 -6S

4. *B-6*

5. SAME AS FOXTROT

6. NO

MED(2)/CMC...ACT

007(6) FP(1) JAG(5) NAVREL(3) +

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NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

7.

B-6
B-6

(MOTHER) B-6

K. PROTESTANT
 LI. REQ DIR TWELFTH MARCORDIST DESIGNATE UNIT TO MAKE
 CONDOLENCE CALL,
 M. LCPL ROGER LEE ZARBOK, B-6 USMC, DEAD
 PVT CECIL JAMES HANSHEW, B-6 USMC, DEAD
 OVT LEWIS WAYNE CONNOR, B-6 USMC, DEAD
 PFC LESLIE WADE HENDRIX, B-6 USMC, DEAD

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NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

PRIORITY
 R 030541Z NOV 66
 FM CG MARCORB CAMPEN

TO SECNAV

INFO CMC
 BUMED
 COMTWELVE
 COMELEVEN
 TWELFTH MARCORDIST
 CO K THRIDBN TWO THREEMAR USMCR MCRTD STOCKTON CALIF
 NAVHOSP CAMPEN
 STGBN MARCORB CAMPEN
 FHTNO GREAT LAKES

UNCLAS

REPORT OF DEATH - NONBATTLE
 A. MARCORPERSMAN PAR 12154

1. IAW REF A FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE REPORTED:

- A. PRIVATE FIRST CLASS LESLIE WADE HENDRIX, *B-6* *USMC*
 STAGBN MCB CAMPEN CALIF
 B. ACDU
 C. DEAD
 D. APPROX 0930 2NOV66 IN LAS PULGAS LAKE AREA CAMP PENDLETON FROM
 MULTIPLE EXTREME *Bl* WHEN FLAMES APPARENTLY
 ENGULFED HIM WHILE HE WAS ENGAGED IN FIGHTING SEVERE BRUSH
 FIRE. FIRM DETAILS PENDING INVESTIGATION.
 E. REMAINS LOCATED AT USNG CAMPEN CALIF
 F. *Bl*
 (PARENTS)
 G. OFFICIALLY NOTIFIED
 1. YES, (FIGURE 12-25)
 H. 3MAR66
 I. INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY THIS COMD
 J. PAY DATA:
 1. PFC E-2
 2. \$100.50
 3. 9 MOS 27 DAYS

MED(2)/CMC...ACT
 007(6) FP(1) JAG(5) NAVREL(3) *

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NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

4. *B-6*
 5. SAME AS FOX TROT
 6. NO
 7. SAME AS FOX TROT
 8. \$10,000
 9. *B-6* (FATHER) *B-6*
 LUMP SUM
 K. PROTESTANT
 L. REQ DIR TWELFTH MARCOR DIST DESIGNATE UNIT TO MAKE CONDOLENCE CALL
 M. LCPL ROGER LEE ZARBOK, *B-6* USMC, DEAD
 PVT CECIL JAMES HANSHEW, *B-6* USMC, DEAD
 PVT LEWIS WAYNE CONNOR, *B-6* , USMC, DEAD
 PFC HENRY TERRAZAS, *B-6* , USMC, CRITICAL

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HEADQUARTERS
Marine Corps Base
Camp Pendleton, California 92055

17 Nov 1966

From: Board of Investigation
To: Commanding General

Subj: Investigation to inquire into the circumstances attending the deaths and injuries to personnel of this Command arising out of fire fighting activity aboard the military reservation, Camp Pendleton, California, on 2 November 1966

Ref: (a) JAG Manual
(b) CO HqRegt MCB CamPen Calif 2 Nov 1966 verbal appointment of LtCol C. J. Emma, Major James W. Dion, and Maj Charles L. Harrison as members of a board of investigation
(c) CO HqRegt MCB CamPen Calif 2 Nov 1966 verbal appointment of LtCol Nolan J. Beat as the senior member of a board of investigation vice LtCol C. J. Emma
(d) CG MCB CamPen Calif ltr of 4 Nov 1966 to LtCol Nolan J. Beat confirming appointment as senior member of a board of investigation
(e) MCB CamPen Calif Order 11320.9B; subj: Brush and Forest Fire Fighting

Encl: (1) Appointing Order
(2) Sworn Statement of SSgt B-6
B-6 USMC
(3) Sworn Statement of Sgt B-6
USMC
(4) Sworn Statement of Fire Chief B-6
Payroll # B-6
(5) Sworn Statement of GySgt B-6
USMC
(6) Sworn Statement of GySgt B-6
USMC
(7) Sworn Statement of Sgt B-6
USMC
(8) Sworn Statement of Fire Captain B-6
Payroll # B-6
(9) Sworn Statement of Capt B-6
USMC
(10) Sworn Statement of Capt B-6
USMC
(11) Sworn Statement of Sgt B-6
B-6 USMC
(12) Sworn statement of SSgt B-6
USMC
(13) Sworn statement of Sgt B-6
USMC
(14) Sworn statement of Fire Captain B-6
Payroll #: B-6

- (15) Sworn Statement of LCpl *B-6* USMC *B-6*
- (16) Sworn Statement of Sgt *B-6* USMC
- (17) Summary of a Board of Investigation Interview with PFC's *B-6* *B-6* John D. Swaufield, *B-6* of 3 Nov 1966
- (18) Sworn Statement of Fire Captain *B-6* *B-6*, PR# *B-6*
- (19) Sworn Statement of GySgt *B-6* USMC
- (20) Summary of a Board of Investigation Interview with PFC *B-6* USMC
- (21) Maj 's memo of 8 Nov 1966 to Senior Member, Board of Investigation; subj: Fire Danger Warning Procedures Utilized during Period 27 Oct 1966 to 2 Nov 1966
- (22) Fire Department Report No. 29 for Grass and Brush Fire on 1 and 2 Nov 1966
- (23) CO VMO-3 MCALF Camp Pendleton Rescue Report; case of PFC Henry Terrazas
- (24) Provost Marshal, MCB, Camp Pen memo of 3 Nov 1966 to C/S; subj: Death of Four Marines
- (25) Death Certificates
- (26) Extract from Log of Medical OOD, USNH, MCB, Camp Pendleton, 2 Nov 1966
- (27) Authorization for Release of Remains
- (28) Documents: Dental Exam Conducted on 2 Nov 1966 at the U. S. Naval Hospital
- (29) Autopsy Documents
- (30) National Fire Protection Association Definition of a "Fire Storm"
- (31) Condolence Letters from CO to Next-of-Kin
- (32) Fourteen photographs taken at Scene of Fire, 2 Nov 1966
- (33) Thirty-Four Messages Pertaining to the Injuries and Deaths Resulting from Fire Fighting Activity on 2 Nov 1966
- (34) Map: Las Pulgas Canyon, MCB, Camp Pendleton, California (Sheet 2550 IV SW Series V895), 1:25,000

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

1. Five Marines died from injuries received in fire-fighting activity aboard the Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, California, on 2 November 1966. The purpose of this investigation was to inquire into the circumstances surrounding the injuries and deaths of those Marines: Lance Corporal Roger Lee Zarbok, *B-6*, USMC; Private First Class Cecil James Hanshew, *B-6*, USMC; Private First Class Leslie Wade Hendrix, *B-6*, USMC; Private First Class Henry Terrazas, USMC; and Private Lewis Wayne Connor, *B-6*, USMC.

2. The investigation was conducted in accordance with the provisions of reference (a) and the guidelines established by references (b), (c), and (d), taking into cognizance the regulations and procedures embodied in reference (e).

3. Initially, on 2 November 1966, the day the injuries and deaths occurred, Lieutenant Colonel C. J. Emma was verbally designated as the senior member of the board of investigation by reference (b). That evening Lieutenant Colonel Nolan J. Beat was verbally appointed as the senior member of the board vice Lieutenant Colonel Emma (reference (c)), and the relief was effected at 0800, 3 November 1966. Reference (d), the written appointing order, confirmed the above and formally established the board of investigation.

4. No insurmountable difficulties were encountered during the investigation. However, there were two problems which complicated matters:

a. The 23-man working party which was involved in the fire-fighting activity was composed of Marines in the ranks of lance corporal and below who were members of a "fly-away" replacement draft scheduled for departure for WestPac Ground Forces within 48 hours. Interviewing the 18 survivors of the working party, analyzing and evaluating the information which they possessed, and preparing testimony prior to their departure imposed long hours of detailed work on the members of the board. In the final analysis, only one member of the working party was removed from the manifest and retained at Camp Pendleton for further questioning and to assist the board in reconstructing, on the ground, the sequence of events which led to the injuries and deaths. He has since been released to the Staging Battalion for transfer overseas.

b. The circumstances were such that no one person or group of persons knew what actually occurred at the scene of

injury and death, and, accordingly, the task of gathering and evaluating pertinent information was tedious and time-consuming.

5. At the outset of the investigation and continuously thereafter, the board carefully considered its duty to designate individuals as parties to the investigation during the proceedings in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 0302 of the JAG Manual. At no time during the investigation, however, did the board feel that the conduct, performance of duty, or interest of any individual warranted such action. Accordingly, no one was designated as a party.

6. All material witnesses have been questioned and all of the known factual evidence has been considered and included in the report as findings of fact.

7. Each military witness was properly advised of his rights under Article 31 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice prior to questioning by members of the board. Likewise, each civilian witness was properly advised of his rights under the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States prior to questioning.

8. To determine the specific cause of death, the U. S. Naval Hospital at Camp Pendleton performed an autopsy on the body of Private First Class Henry Terrazas, who was injured in the fire on 2 November 1966 and evacuated to the hospital, where he subsequently died. ^{B-4} the ^{B-6} of the deceased Marine, authorized the autopsy.

In the case of the four Marines who died in the fire, the Pathologist at the U. S. Naval Hospital advised the board of investigation that an autopsy would serve no useful purpose because it was clearly established that the cause of death was incineration and that death was immediate. Accordingly, an autopsy was not requested by the board.

9. The members of the board, after inquiring into all of the facts and circumstances connected with the injuries and deaths arising out of the fire-fighting activity which occasioned the investigation, finds as follows and submits the following opinions and recommendations:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Effective at 0800, 1 November 1966, the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, established RED as the fire danger rating for the Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, California. See the second enclosure to enclosure (21).
2. Paragraph 1001.1 of reference (b) vests decision-making concerning the use of ammunition during fire danger rating RED in the commanders of using organizations. An extract of paragraph 1001.1 is attached as enclosure (4) to enclosure (21) of this report.
3. On the receipt of fire danger rating RED on 31 October 1966, Captain [redacted], the Replacement Draft Training Group Leader, instructed Staff Sergeant [redacted], the primary instructor for training to be conducted on 1 November 1966, to use his own judgment the next day as to whether smoke grenades should be used. See paragraphs 3 and 4 of enclosure (21).
4. At approximately 0900 on 1 November 1966, Staff Sergeant [redacted] who was in the PAPA 3 Training Area at the time, ordered that no smoke would be used in training and that any smoke grenades which already had been issued would be picked up. In compliance with his order, all of the smoke grenades except one were recovered. See enclosure (2) and paragraph 4 of enclosure (21).
5. On 1 November 1966 Sergeant [redacted], an assistant instructor, was the NCO-in-charge of a problem involving the assault of a defended position in the PAPA 3 Training Area. On the receipt of word from Staff Sergeant [redacted] not to use smoke, Sergeant [redacted] already had issued one grenade to the platoon conducting the problem. The enveloping force, two squads with the smoke grenade up front, had already moved out. The platoon had no radio or telephonic communications so the order had to be passed by word of mouth. Sergeant [redacted] intercepted the platoon sergeant, Sergeant [redacted], at the tail-end of the enveloping force, and told him not to use the smoke grenade. Sergeant [redacted] moved out on the run to pass the word not to throw the smoke grenade and to recover it. The word arrived too late, however, and the smoke grenade was thrown by the enveloping force as a signal to shift the base of fire for the assault. The grenade started a grass fire in the vicinity of coordinates 580908. A map of the area is attached as enclosure (34).

for ready reference. Sergeant
attached as enclosure (3).

sworn statement is

6. The Margerita Lookout in the Cleveland National Forest spotted the fire and immediately called the Camp Pendleton Fire Department. The call was logged at 0940 (enclosure (4)).

7. The Replacement Draft Training Group also reported the fire to the fire department. On the morning of 1 November while looking out his office window, Gunnery Sergeant , the Replacement Draft Training Group Operations Chief, observed smoke rising in the PAPA 3 Training Area. He immediately tried to call the fire department but the lines were busy. As soon as the lines were clear, he called the fire department and reported the location of the fire. In the meantime, Gunnery Sergeant , the senior tactics instructor of the Replacement Draft Training Group, was present in the PAPA 3 Training Area when the fire started. On seeing smoke, he immediately headed for the nearest telephone to report the fire. He called Gunnery Sergeant and requested that call the fire department, that he inform the fire department that the fire was a big one, and that one tanker would not control it. Gunnery Sergeant immediately passed the word on to the fire department. See enclosures (4) and (5).

8. Immediately following the outbreak of the fire, the trainees from the Staging Battalion, under the supervision of officers and NCO's of the Replacement Draft Training Group, ceased training operations and turned to in an effort either to extinguish the fire where practicable or to control or contain it within the limits of firebreaks (enclosure (7)).

9. Immediately after the fire was reported in Piedra de Lumbre Canyon, the fire department dispatcher notified Fire Captain at the Las Pulgas fire station. He responded with an International Scout and two firemen in a forestry brush truck. On surveying the situation, Fire Captain determined that the fire was moving rapidly northwest toward Horno Canyon. He marshaled equipment and attempted to contain the head of the fire before it reached Lower Horno Canyon Road. He was unsuccessful in containing the fire, however, and it was decided to try to hold the fire at Lower Horno Canyon Road. All available equipment was dispatched to the area and a back-fire was set. It was unsuccessful, though, and the main fire jumped the road at approximately 1200, heading northwest and endangering Range 215.

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The fire department allowed the area east south east of Horno Canyon to Piedra de Lumbre Canyon to burn because the fire there--the heel of the fire--posed no danger to buildings or utilities. However, to ensure continual surveillance, Fire Captain ordered a brush truck to patrol Piedra de Lumbre Canyon all night long on 1 November.

All efforts were directed toward saving the new range. By 2000 on 1 November the fire in that area had been brought under control and the range was safe.

Sworn statements of Fire Chief and Fire Captain , attached as enclosures (4) and (8), and the official report of the fire, enclosure (22), include a detailed account of the fire department's fire fighting operations on 1 November.

10. While the fire department concentrated on fighting the fire northwest of Lower Horno Canyon Road on 1 November, Captain the Replacement Draft Training Group Leader, and Captain the Officer-in-Charge of the Training Group Tactics Section, directed the efforts to control or contain the fire in the PAPA 3 Training Area. They received no advice, guidance, or direction from members of the fire department at any time from the outbreak of the fire at 0940 on 1 November until approximately 0700 on 2 November. They either had extinguished or contained the fire by 2100 on 1 November 1966. Captains and give detailed accounts of the fire fighting in the PAPA 3 area in their sworn statements, enclosures (9) and (10). Additional details are included in the sworn statements of Sergeants and , enclosures (7) and (11).

11. Tuesday night, 1 November 1966, Staff Sergeant was in charge of a defensive problem on Objective D, which encompasses coordinates 582903 to 385902, in the PAPA 3 Training Area. Captain working party had been making a firebreak nearby across a draw from coordinates 582902 to 584898. By about 2030 the fire had burned itself out and shortly thereafter the working party secured. Captain instructed Staff Sergeant to watch the fire and to call the fire department if the fire started up again. At about 0400 on Wednesday, 2 November, the fire started up again. At 0430 Staff Sergeant called the fire department but was unable to get through, so he called the Replacement Draft Training Group Duty NCO, Sergeant Sergeant advised the fire department of the fire at 0445 and noted the call in his log (enclosures (12) and (13)).

12. Shortly thereafter, at 0500, Fire Captain logged out of the Area 43 fire station to tour Piedra de Lumbre Canyon. From the top of the ridge--between hills 1196 and 1350--overlooking the east section of Piedra de Lumbre Canyon, Fire Captain spotted the fire, radioed a report on the conditions, and requested specific fire fighting equipment. He then commenced fire-fighting operations (page 3, enclosure (8)).

13. About 0700 on 2 November, while observing the fire at Objective D, Captain spotted a brush truck and Fire Captain Scout on the firebreak which follows the ridge line above Objective D from hill 1196 to hill 1350. He phoned Gunnery Sergeant and requested that a fresh fire detail be sent to the vicinity of the Butler building (43991) in the PAPA 3 area. He then proceeded to the firebreak on the ridge and contacted Fire Captain Fire Captain told Captain that he didn't need any help at that time and to hold his men in the area at the bottom of the hill until the relief fire captain arrived and a plan of action had been developed (page 4 of enclosure (9) and page 4 of enclosure (8)).

14. At about 0720, on his way down from the ridge, Captain met Fire Captain Church coming up to relieve Fire Captain Fire Captain Church concurred with the plan to retain the Marine working party at the bottom of the hill, stating that he would know where to find Captain if needed. He also asked Captain to direct a wrecker and a bulldozer to his location on the ridge when the equipment arrived in the area. On arrival, Captain had his driver guide the dozer to the ridge. When the driver returned, he stated that Fire Captain Church wanted a detail of men on the ridge. Captain sent him 13 Six-Month Reserves (page 5 of enclosure (9) and page 1 of enclosure (14)).

15. About 0830 a truck loaded with a working party of 23 Marines from the Staging Battalion arrived at the Butler building. Lance Corporals and Zarbok were the two senior Marines in the group. Captain placed Lance Corporal in charge of the detail and instructed and Zarbok to assemble their men at the truck turn-around (coordinates 584899) at the base of Objective D, where the driver would let them off; to organize their men into squads, fire teams, and two-man buddy teams; to wait at the truck turn-around for shovels, picks, and other equipment; to stay in position until NCO's and senior personnel arrived; and not to get near the fire (page 5, enclosure (9)).

16. The driver of the truck dropped off the 23-man working party at the truck turn-around. On arrival, Lance Corporals and Zarbok complied with Captain's instructions. They organized the men into two squads, the first with three fire teams and the second with two fire teams. Lance Corporal assumed control of the first squad and Lance Corporal Zarbok assumed control of the second.

The two Lance Corporals understood that they were not to fight the fire or to advance close to the fire until senior personnel arrived to assume control and instruct them what to do. However, they misunderstood Captain's instructions to stay in position at the assembly area at the truck turn-around. Instead, they decided to move out to a better position from which to fight the fire if needed when senior personnel arrived.

The truck turn-around was located at the entrance to a deep box canyon. Lance Corporals and Zarbok decided to deploy four fire teams in a column of fire teams along the ridge which formed the left (east) side of the box canyon--well away from the fires which were burning on the slope of the ridge which formed the right (west) side of the box canyon. They further decided that the fifth fire team should be deployed at the base of the ridge (near Objective D) to assist in fire fighting if needed. The lance corporals' plan of deployment is shown on the sketch attached as TAB A to enclosure (15).

Lance Corporals and Zarbok called their fire team leaders together and briefed them on the planned deployment. Then Lance Corporal deployed his third fire team at the base of the ridge near Objective D and moved his first and second fire teams out in a column of fire teams along the east ridge of the box canyon. Lance Corporal Zarbok moved his two fire teams out along the same ridge behind Lance Corporal's two fire teams. The grass and brush were chest high or higher, making troop movement difficult and slow and vision difficult. See Lance Corporal's sworn statement, attached as enclosure (15), for a detailed account of the deployment.

17. Just prior to 0900 on 2 November, Sergeant , arrived at the Butler building in the PAPA 3 Training Area with the balance of the Staging Battalion working party. Captain advised him that the advance 23-man working party would be standing by at the truck turn-around. Captain also instructed Sergeant

to muster all of the troops in the working party; to organize them into squads, fire teams, and two-man buddy teams; not to fight the fire in the brush but to start a firebreak at the base of the hill to prevent the embers from spreading on the grassy slopes at the base of Objective D (defensive problem area) and the adjacent stream bed; and to wait for instructions. See the sworn statements of Captain [redacted] and Sergeant [redacted], page 6 of enclosure (9) and page 1 of enclosure (16).

18. Captain [redacted] returned to the Replacement Draft Training Group headquarters in building 43202, where he explained to Captain [redacted] the disposition of the troops--13 Six-Month Reserves with Captain Church and the working party of approximately fifty men with Sergeant [redacted]. Captain [redacted] then sent Captain Benjamin to the area to take charge of the troops and instructed him not to fight the fire but to prevent it from spreading beyond the stream bed where he had staged the troops. See Captain [redacted]'s sworn statement, page 6 of enclosure (9), and Captain [redacted]'s sworn statement, page 2 of enclosure (1). Also see Gunnery Sergeant [redacted]'s sworn statement (enclosure (19)).

19. When Sergeant [redacted] arrived at the truck turn-around, Lance Corporals Hobbs and Zarbok had already begun deploying their squads up along the east ridge of the box canyon. Sergeant [redacted] saw a fire team proceeding up the ridge, and, because he was unable to converse with the team, he ran up a trail to try to catch them and find out why they were moving out. For obvious reasons, Sergeant [redacted] was unable to muster the working party as instructed by Captain [redacted]. See Sergeant [redacted]'s sworn statement, enclosure (16).

20. By this time, Lance Corporal Hobbs' first fire team had almost reached the top of the ridgeline near Fire Captain Church's CP. His second fire team, led by Private First Class [redacted], was located further down on the same ridgeline. Lance Corporal Zarbok's two fire teams supposedly were deployed along the crest of the same ridgeline to the rear of [redacted]'s fire team. At approximately 0905, a fire storm which had been building up in the canyon below broke. There was a series of explosions, and flames over 100 feet high rapidly moved up the canyon and along the adjacent ridge slopes. (In a conversation with the Senior Member of the board of investigation at the scene of the fire explosion, Fire Captain Church stated that within five minutes the entire box canyon was engulfed in flames.) From his position about 50 meters from the top of the ridgeline, Lance Corporal [redacted] observed three persons below fleeing

the flames and shortly thereafter observed flames engulf the spot where the fleeing men had been seen. See enclosures (14), (15), and (20). Also see enclosure (30), the official description of a fire storm by the National Fire Protection Association.

21. When the worst of the fire was over, Private First Class _____'s fire team spotted Private First Class Henry Terrazas staggering from the flames. All that was left of his clothing were his boots and belt with a layer of cloth under it. Some of the Marines moved up to Private First Class Terrazas' position and moved him to a safer location away from the fire. Private First Class John D. Swaufield, a member of Michael's fire team, went up the ridgeline to the firebreak on the ridge between hills 1196 and 1350, where he reported to Fire Captain _____ that a Marine down below had been burned. Fire Captain _____ reported the accident to Fire Captain Church and dispatched two firemen down to render aid and to bring Private First Class Terrazas out below (pages 4-5 of enclosure (8) and enclosure (17)).

22. Fire Captain _____ was patrolling the valley east of the ridgeline which extends from hill 1196 northwest to Horno Canyon Road when the fire storm broke. He monitored a message from Fire Captain Church that there were Marines in the box canyon, so he proceeded to the canyon to coordinate the removal of troops. On arrival, Fire Captain _____ spotted Sergeant _____'s working party at the truck turn-around well out of the fire danger area. He also learned of the accident and immediately radioed for a helicopter and an ambulance to evacuate the injured Marine. This was about 0930. The ambulance arrived and Jennings sent a rescue team up the canyon and brought Private First Class Terrazas out on an ambulance stretcher. The helicopter arrived as they were returning and evacuated Private First Class Terrazas to the U. S. Naval Hospital, Camp Pendleton, California, arriving there at 1020. Fire Captain _____'s sworn statement is attached as enclosure (18). The VMO-3 Rescue Report is attached as enclosure (23).

23. Captain _____ had proceeded to the firebreak on the ridgeline above the box canyon. When he arrived, the fire storm had just recently occurred. Captain Church informed him that a Marine had been burned. He then checked with the senior Marine on the ridgeline and was told that all Marines on the firebreak had been accounted for. Captain _____ then proceeded to the mouth of the box canyon, where he contacted Sergeant _____ and directed that the working party be mustered and a roster prepared. Sergeant _____ was able

to account immediately for the detail he arrived with, Lance Corporal readily accounted for his squad, and the firemen accounted for the 13-man Six-Month Reserve detail. Accounting for Lance Corporal Zarbok's squad was difficult though because Lance Corporal Zarbok was missing. In due time, however, Sergeant was able to ascertain that three Marines from Lance Corporal Zarbok's squad were missing: Lance Corporal Zarbok, Private First Class Hanshew, and Private Connor. Private First Class Hendrix was also missing, but none of the Marines present was aware of it until his body was subsequently found. See Captain sworn statement, page 7, enclosure (9); Captain 's sworn statement, pages 2-6, enclosure (10); and Sergeant 's sworn statement, page 2, enclosure (16).

24. On determining that some of the Marines were missing, three rescue teams were formed, each composed of a fire fighter and five Marines. About that time, Fire Captain Church radioed that he had spotted what appeared to be two bodies in a burned out area in the canyon. Fire Captain Church moved down into the area from the ridge to the southwest, and Fire Captains and : and fire fighter moved up into the area from the mouth of the canyon. On arrival, at about 1200, the search party found three bodies. Fire Chief was notified by telephone and he in turn informed the Provost Marshal (enclosures (14) and (18)).

25. Criminal Investigators from the Provost Marshal's office arrived at the scene at 1300. The investigators then called for a coroner or representative from the U. S. Naval Hospital. A representative from the Base Medical Department arrived at 1415 and the evacuation party proceeded to the area where the three bodies were located. Appropriate photographs were taken of each body and the immediate area, and each body was tentatively identified by the identification tag. The identification tags indicated that the bodies were L. W. Hendrix, 2215749; R. L. Zarbok, 2162902; and L. W. Connor, 2233424. Following the identification of the above bodies, a search of the surrounding area was made and a fourth body was located on a reverse slope nearby. It was photographed and tentatively identified by identification tag as C. J. Hanshew, 2197343. A complete search of the surrounding area revealed no more bodies.

The four bodies were evacuated to an ambulance and transported to the Naval Hospital, where they were pronounced dead on arrival at 1600, 2 November 1966.

The Provost Marshal's report to the Chief of Staff is attached as enclosure (24); copies of the certificates of death for Lance Corporal Roger Lee Zarbok, Private First Class Leslie Wade Hendrix, Private Lewis Wayne Connor, and Private First Class Cecil James Hanshew are attached as enclosure (25); an extract from the log of the Medical Officer of the Day at the U. S. Naval Hospital, Camp Pendleton, is attached as enclosure (26); and photographs taken of the bodies of the burned Marines and the surrounding area are attached as enclosure (32).

26. In clarification, it should be pointed out that the death certificates--which were made out and submitted to the California Department of Public Health while the board of investigation was still in the process of reconstructing the sequence of events which occurred on 2 November 1966--incorrectly show the time of the accident which resulted in the injuries and deaths of the five Marines as approximately 9:30 AM for Private First Class Henry Terrazas, approximately 2:55 PM for Lance Corporal Roger Lee Zarbok, Private First Class Leslie Wade Hendrix, and Private Lewis Wayne Connor, and approximately 3:10 PM for Private First Class Cecil James Hanshew. In the case of Private First Class Terrazas, 9:30 AM is the approximate time that Fire Captain radioed for an ambulance and a helicopter for the evacuation of the injured man. For the other Marines, 2:55 PM and 3:10 PM are the times that the evacuation party tentatively identified the deceased Marines at the death site by means of their identification tags. In actuality, all five Marines were injured at the same time, approximately 9:05 AM, when in a matter of minutes the fire storm engulfed the box canyon where they were located.

Also, the hour of death shown on the death certificates for Lance Corporal Zarbok, Privates First Class Hendrix and Hanshew, and Private Connor are misleading. The hour is shown as DOA 4:00 PM--dead on arrival (at the Naval Hospital) at 4:00 PM. Actually, death by incineration is immediate, as shown in item 30 of the death certificate. Accordingly, the most precisely estimated time of death that the board of investigation can determine is approximately 9:05 AM on 2 November 1966.

The time of death shown on the death certificate for Private First Class Henry Terrazas is correctly shown as 3:40 AM on 5 November 1966. Since he died in the naval hospital, there was no difficulty in precisely establishing the hour.

27. At approximately 1550, 2 November 1966, Lieutenant Colonel ^g , Major , and Major were verbally appointed as members of the board of investigation to conduct an informal investigation of the circumstances attending the deaths and injuries arising out of fire-fighting activity aboard the base. By 1630 all members had been contacted and had arrived at the PAPA 3 Training Area, where they initiated their investigation by viewing the scene of death and injury and making arrangements to interview appropriate personnel.

28. At 1830 the members of the board arrived at the naval hospital to check on the condition of Private First Class Henry Terrazas, who had been evacuated with serious burns, and to establish positive identification of the dead Marines.

Positive identification of the four bodies was determined through a comparative evaluation of dental charts at 2025, 2 November 1966. See enclosure (28).

The condition of Private First Class Henry Terrazas was determined to be critical, with burns over . See the 1115 entry in the log of the Medical Officer of the Day for 2 November 1966 (enclosure (26)).

Private First Class Henry Terrazas subsequently died in the U. S. Naval Hospital, Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, California, at 0340, 5 November 1966. The death certificate, attached as TAB E of enclosure (25), shows the cause of death as ^{Bt}

An autopsy was performed on the body of Private First Class Henry Terrazas on 7 November 1966 at 0900. A copy of the Autopsy Protocol is attached as enclosure (29).

29. For ready reference, additional documents pertinent to this investigation are attached to this report as enclosures (27, (31), and (33).

OPINIONS

1. That Lance Corporal Roger Lee Zarbok, 2162902, U. S. Marine Corps, Private First Class Leslie Wade Hendrix, 2215749, U. S. Marine Corps, Private Lewis Wayne Connor, 2233424, U. S. Marine Corps, and Private First Class Cecil James Hanshew, 2197343, U. S. Marine Corps, died of incineration at approximately 0905, 2 November 1966, in a grass and brush fire in the PAPA 3 Training Area of the Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, California, and were pronounced dead on arrival at the U. S. Naval Hospital, Camp Pendleton, California, at 1600, 2 November 1966.

2. That Private First Class Henry Terrazas, 2256471, U. S. Marine Corps, of his body surface at approximately 0905, 2 November 1966, in a grass and brush fire in the PAPA 3 Training Area of the Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, California, and that, as a result of those burns and respiratory complications, he died at 0340, 5 November 1966, in the U. S. Naval Hospital, Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, California.

3. That, for a number of reasons, no one knows positively the details of all the circumstances which surround the tragic injuries and deaths which occurred on 2 November 1966 during the brush and grass fire in the PAPA 3 Training Area of the Marine Corps Base, at Camp Pendleton, California. First of all, the fire storm which engulfed the box canyon where the injuries and deaths occurred was catastrophic in nature, scorching the earth with flames over one hundred feet high and leaving the canyon and the ridge slopes which enclose it barren, desolate, and devoid of life within just a few minutes. Second, the squad leader and all members of the first fire team of the two-fire-team squad which was caught in the fire are dead. Third, the members of the fire team which survived the ordeal by only the narrowest margin were so shaken and confused by the violence of the fire storm which engulfed the area that their concept of the events which transpired is not clear. Fourth, the grass and brush in the box canyon and surrounding area were so high and thick that the individuals, fire teams, and squads involved were, for the most part, unable to maintain close surveillance or contact during the deployment of the working party. And fifth, no one other than the twenty-three members of the working party knew that they were deploying in the brush and grass along the ridge of the box canyon.

4. That, however, by interviewing the survivors of the twenty-three-man working party, analyzing and evaluating the sworn statements of officers, staff NCO's, NCO's, and fire department personnel, and reconstructing on the ground in the box canyon with the above persons the sequence of events which led to the disaster, the members of the board of investigation were able to derive what it believes to be the most logical explanation possible of what actually happened on 2 November 1966 when the injuries and deaths occurred. Accordingly, the members of the board believe:

a. That Lance Corporal Ronald Dixie Hobbs, the Marine in charge of the 23-man working party and the leader of the first squad, and Lance Corporal Roger Lee Zarbok, the leader of the second squad, because of leadership inexperience and the aggressive, can-do attitude which the Marine Corps tries to instill in men, honestly misinterpreted Captain

instructions to position the squads in the assembly area to which he dispatched the working party and to be prepared to assist in fighting the fire when so instructed. That, instead, Hobbs and Zarbok deployed the working party in what they considered to be the best position to assist in fighting the fire when instructed to do so--that is, in a column of four fire teams along the crest of the ridge extending along the east side of a box canyon, with two of Lance Corporal fire teams deployed nearest the fire-break at the top of the box and Lance Corporal Zarbok's two fire teams positioned along the ridge in a column to rear;

b. That Lance Corporal deployed his two fire teams along the crest of the east ridge as planned by the two Lance Corporals;

c. That Lance Corporal Zarbok, when deploying, either purposefully or inadvertently, because of lack of vision and the difficulty of the terrain, moved his fire teams along the lower slope of the east ridge enroute to his planned position;

d. That the fire storm, accompanied by a series of fire explosions up the canyon, broke while Lance Corporal Zarbok's two fire teams were still on the lower slope of the east ridge;

e. That the flames which rapidly engulfed the box canyon, many higher than 100 feet, moved from the mouth of the canyon along the slope of the east ridge where Lance Corporal Zarbok was moving his fire teams and then swept west across the box canyon;

f. That Lance Corporal Zarbok, in the confusion and fear which the series of explosions and onrushing flames produced, decided to move his fire teams across the canyon ahead of the flames toward the west ridge where there were already burned-out areas from fire the day before;

g. That the grass and brush and the rough terrain made movement slow. However, fire team encountered more favorable terrain than the other fire team and thus made it safely across the canyon, narrowly escaping the onrushing fire;

h. That Lance Corporal Zarbok and the four members of the other fire team ran into a steep hillside which, with the exception of Private First Class Terrazas, they were unable to traverse before the flames engulfed and incinerated them;

i. That Private First Class Terrazas, a member of the ill-fated fire team, was on the flank next to Private First Class fire team and almost made it across the canyon safely. However, the flames caught him just before he got across, and he stumbled out of the flames with his body afire;

j. That Private First Class fire team saw Private First Class Terrazas stumble out of the fire, moved him to a position of safety, and requested help from the firemen on the firebreak above the box canyon;

k. That the injured Private First Class Terrazas was evacuated by helicopter to the U. S. Naval Hospital, where he died three days later; and,

l. That subsequently a search and rescue team discovered the incinerated bodies of Lance Corporal Zarbok, Privates First Class Hanshew and Hendrix, and Private Connor in the box canyon.

5. That the injury to and subsequent death of Private First Class Henry Terrazas and the deaths of Lance Corporal Roger Lee Zarbok, Private First Class Leslie Wade Hendrix, Private Lewis Wayne Connor, and Private First Class Cecil James Hanshew were not caused by the intent, fault, negligence, or inefficiency of any person or persons in or connected with the naval service.

6. That, in some respects, the effectiveness of the Base regulations for fighting fires, particularly as they pertain

to the coordination between civilian fire department and Marine personnel, was questionable during the fire fighting on 1 and 2 November 1966. However, this had no bearing on and was not material to the accident which resulted in the injury to and subsequent death of Private First Class Henry Terrazas and the deaths of Lance Corporal Roger Lee Zarbok, Private First Class Leslie Wade Hendrix, Private Lewis Wayne Connor, and Private First Class Cecil James Hanshew. Accordingly, because the matter is of local interest only, a separate report concerning fire-fighting regulations and procedures will be submitted at the earliest practicable date in the interest of improving the fire-fighting capabilities of the command.

RECOMMENDATIONS

In view of the above, the board has no recommendations to submit at this time. However, appropriate recommendations concerning Base fire-fighting regulations and procedures will be embodied in a separate report.

Lieutenant Colonel, U. S. Marine Corps
Senior Member

Major, U. S. Marine Corps
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From: Commanding General
To: Lieutenant Colonel Nolan J. BEAT, 020618, USMC,
Headquarters Regiment, Marine Corps Base, Camp
Pendleton, California

Subj: Investigation to inquire into the circumstances
attending the deaths and injuries to personnel of
this command arising out of fire fighting activity
aboard the military reservation, Camp Pendleton,
California, on 2 November 1966

Ref: (a) JAG Manual
(b) BO 11320.9B

1. This confirms your verbal appointment as senior member of a Board to conduct an informal investigation in accordance with Part I of Chapter VI of reference (a) on 2 November 1966, or as soon thereafter as practicable, for the purpose of inquiring into all the circumstances attending deaths and injuries to personnel of this command arising out of fire fighting activity aboard Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, California, on 2 November 1966.
2. The Board consists of you as senior member, Major , 055311, USMC, Headquarters Regiment, and Major , 058833, USMC, Headquarters Regiment, as members.
3. You will conduct a thorough investigation into all the circumstances attending the subject deaths and injuries and report your findings of fact, opinions and recommendations. Your report will include, but not be limited to, appropriate comments on the circumstances which led to the deaths and injuries, recommended action to preclude a ~~future~~ recurrence

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of this type of tragedy, and, if appropriate, recommended disciplinary action. In this connection your attention is invited to reference (b) which sets forth the provisions and regulations covering the fighting of brush and forest fires on the Base.

4. Your duty to designate individuals as parties to the investigation during the proceedings is delineated in section 0302 of reference (a).

5. In preparing and submitting your report, you will be guided by the provisions of reference (a).

6. Your completed report of investigation shall be submitted to the Base Legal Officer not later than 17 November 1966.

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SWORN STATEMENT OF STAFF SERGEANT *BY* _____, 1495812,
USMC, ADVANCED COMBAT TRAINING COMPANY, 2d INFANTRY TRAINING
REGIMENT, MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

Having been warned of my rights under Article 31, UCMJ, and fully understanding the meaning thereof, I voluntarily make the following statement:

I am the primary instructor for offensive tactics in the Advanced Combat Training Company, which is located at Camp Las Pulgas.

About 0900 on 1 November 1966, I was standing by the wooden bridge in the PAPA 3 Training Area talking to Gunnery Sergeant _____ about the working party he brought to the field for me. We were talking about the area that the working party would be working in. At this time the ammo truck pulled up with Sergeant _____, and he said, "Do you want to sign for the smoke grenades?" At this time Sergeant _____ was standing there with the Gunnery Sergeant and me. I found out then that Sergeant _____ had dropped off some smoke grenades at Station #1 and Station #3. At this time I told Sergeant _____ to pick them up again, I said that no smoke would be used. At this time I also told Sergeant _____ that no smoke would be used. He said he had already issued one. I told him to stop it from being used. The smoke from Station #1 was also picked up. Sergeant _____ came back and told me he told a Sergeant in the unit not to use it, this Sergeant's name was Powers. At this time I took the working party to Station #1 to start a police call. Station #1 is about 600 meters away from Station #3. I took the working party down to Station #1 and showed them what I wanted done. At this time I turned around and I saw the fire at Objective #3. I ran back up to Station #3 and told Sergeant _____, "They threw the smoke. They have a fire. Let's go get up there and get it put out." From what I could see from the road, the unit that started the fire was not making an effort to put it out. And then the fire got out of hand. Gunnery Sergeant _____ drove up and I asked him to report it for me. At this time myself and my instructor organized the units and tried to contain the fire, but the wind caught it and it moved too fast. A fire truck showed up but it went on by. I'm not sure where it went. The 48-man working party was also a Staging Battalion fire-fighting detail. Captain _____ sent a truck back to supply to pick up all the shovels and picks that we had. Sergeant _____ stayed with the detail, not to fight the fire but to contain it,

to keep it from crossing the road. The rest of us came back to the area. About 20 to 30 minutes later, I, Staff Sergeant [redacted], Sergeant [redacted], and Captain [redacted] went back out. We worked all afternoon, not fighting the fire, but keeping it from spreading. We finally held it to a point where it burned itself out. We were on our way back when I spotted it burning in another area. So Captain [redacted] dropped Sergeant [redacted] and myself off to wait for a fire truck, which we knew would be coming back out. Captain [redacted] came back to [redacted] to get some fresh troops to fight the fire. The fire truck came back out and I stopped him on the road. I showed him the fire. It was still very small so I asked him if he would go up in there and put it out. He said to me, "I can't take my rig up in there." There was a road up in to this area. Captain [redacted] came back with fresh troops at about 1700. Captain [redacted] instructed us to break up in parties. There was an instructor with each party. After dark we had one party sounding by number, so we knew we had all our men. We finally contained the fire about 1945, then Captain [redacted] decided to bring us over the high ground so we would not walk through too much smoke. Again, we just kept the fire from spreading. We had no support from the fire department all day.

Staff Sergeant, U.S. Marine Corps

With the United States Armed Forces
At Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton
County of San Diego
State of California

On this, the 4th day of November 1966, before me, the undersigned officer, personally appeared [redacted], known to me to be serving with or in the armed forces of the United States and to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same. And the undersigned does further certify that he is at the date of this certification, a commissioned officer of the rank stated below and in the armed forces of the United States on active duty.

Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Marine Corps

SWORN STATEMENT OF SERGEANT _____, 2007617, USMC
ADVANCED COMBAT TRAINING COMPANY, 2d INFANTRY TRAINING
REGIMENT, MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

Having been warned of my rights under Article 31, Uniform Code of Military Justice, and fully understanding the meaning thereof, I voluntarily make the following statement:

I am presently serving as an assistant instructor for the Replacement Draft Training Group of the Advanced Combat Training Company. The Group headquarters is located at Camp Pulgas.

On 1 November 1966, at approximately 0700, I reported to Staff Sergeant _____ at the T-7 portion of the PAPA 3 Training Area for duty as one of his assistant instructors. He was engaged in the lecture phase of the problem with the trainees. On conclusion, the trainees were split up into four elements. I took one group of approximately fifty troops to Station 3, where I conducted a briefing. This consisted of a general briefing and then a specific five paragraph order on the platoon assault of a defended position. I gave it to the entire unit. Sergeant _____ the student platoon leader, then set about tactically organizing his unit. A _____ was his platoon sergeant. At this same time, approximately 0845, a Dodge Power Wagon drove by and I saw two red smoke grenades being dropped off next to my station's marker. I assumed therefore no restrictions were to be placed on the use of pyrotechnics. I gave one grenade to Sergeant _____, and I told him that his enveloping force should throw it on reaching the base of the objective so the base of fire would shift during their assault. As the assault force was moving out, about 0900, a runner arrived from Staff Sergeant _____ and stated that he was picking up all smoke grenades. I showed him where my remaining grenade was and said I'd get the other. Sergeant _____, the Platoon Sergeant, was at the tail-end of the enveloping force (two squads) which had already started to move out. I instructed him to pass the word to the platoon leader, who was up forward with the enveloping force, not to use his smoke grenade and to turn it in to the assistant instructor, Sergeant _____ on the objective following the assault. Sergeant _____ moved out on a run to pass the word. As I left my assembly area at about 0915, I met Staff Sergeant _____. He called my attention to a fire in the vicinity of Sergeant _____'s objective area. I departed fast for the area. I commandeered thirteen troops from the defended position,

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and we moved down to the base. I saw Sergeant fighting the fire there with his remaining defender force and also observed that the fire was spreading up the hill. I took my group back up this finger to attempt containment. As we completed this effort successfully, I observed Captain on the hill above me and he appeared to want me. I ran up to him and he told me to try to stop the fire headed across the grass from crossing the firebreak on the ridge leading generally west of the objective area. On arrival I saw this was impossible, as the fire had jumped the break and was headed down the slope westerly towards Highway 101 in the distance.

I noticed two Scout trucks with two civilian fire fighters north of my position. I told my people to stay put and ran over and asked him for instructions. He told me to stay where we were, not to enter the danger area, ~~and~~ to follow the burn, and that he would get us some tools. I told him that I was in charge of thirteen troops, who I was, and to notify Captain of our actions. He wrote this in a note book.

We continued to fight the fire in our area until approximately 1255. I never saw any fire fighters return to my area. We could see the fire burning in the distance. However, since our area was contained, we joined Captain at the bridge adjacent to the T-7 area, where we secured for movement back to the area.

This statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Sergeant, U.S. Marine Corps

With the United States Armed Forces
At Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton
County of San Diego
State of California

On this, the 5th day of November 1966, before me, the undersigned officer, personally appeared known to me to be serving with or in the armed forces of the United States and to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same. And the undersigned does further certify that he

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is at the date of this certification, a commissioned officer of the rank stated below and in the armed forces of the United States on active duty.

Lieutenant Colonel, U. S. Marine Corps

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SWORN STATEMENT OF _____, PAYROLL
FIRE CHIEF, MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

Having been advised of my rights under the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States by Lieutenant Colonel _____ and fully understanding the meaning thereof, I voluntarily make the following statement:

I have approximately 34 years of fire service. Having been a fire fighter in civilian communities prior to going to work for the U. S. Navy, September 10, 1945 at Quonsett Point, Rhode Island. I became Fire Chief at the U.S. Marine Corps Recruit Depot in Parris Island, South Carolina on April 29, 1948. I assumed command of the Fire Department at Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, California on January 15, 1956 and have continued in that capacity.

The Fire Department at Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton consists of eight fire stations located in the various built up areas of the Base. Mobile Equipment assigned to the 9 engine companies in the 8 fire stations consist of twelve 750 GPM pumpers, three 500 GPM pumpers, seven forestry trucks, one Rescue Unit, and sixteen other miscellaneous vehicles.

The organization structure is as follows: One Chief of the Department in command of 121 other personnel, divided into an "A" Platoon and a "B" Platoon--each headed by an Assistant Fire Chief. The structure of each platoon is the same, with one Fire Captain in charge of five other fire fighters for each of the nine Engine Companies. There is also one fire fighter in charge of the Rescue Unit on each Platoon. Also, within the structure of the Fire Department there are four Fire Protection Inspectors, three Fire Alarm Dispatchers, and three clerical personnel.

On the morning of 1 November 1966 at 0940 an alarm of fire was received from the Margarita Lookout of the Cleveland National Forest, reporting a fire in the Pulgas Lake area. Four forestry trucks and crews were dispatched to the area, identified as Grid Quadrant 5790. The fire spread rapidly in a south and west direction. Fire Captain _____, the first supervisor on the scene at 0952, reported the fire out of control. The Assistant Fire Chief then responded, requesting additional forestry trucks.

The Base Fire Chief activated a Command Post at Fire Department Headquarters, Building No. 22131. Staff personnel were detailed to the functions of the Command Post.

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At approximately 1110 the Fire Chief moved to the fire area to establish a field Command Post. This was set up in Grid Quadrant 567916. Fire fighting operations for the remainder of November 1 until 1800 hours were conducted from this point. The fire at this time (1200) was moving across Horno Canyon Road in a northwest direction at Grid Quadrant 557907. A maximum effort was being made to save the Electronic Range #215, located in Grid Quadrant 555924. This was accomplished at 2000 hours and the Range was safe. In addition to the 21 civilian fire fighters and Fire Department equipment, two bulldozers and 100 military personnel were utilized.

The area east southeast of Horno Canyon to Piedra de Lumbre Canyon was allowed to burn as it was no danger to buildings or utilities. However, fire fighting crews kept a watch on the perimeter. By 2000 hours the entire fire line, now 24 miles in length and 3,700 acres had died down. It is to be noted that while the large fire was in progress, other fire fighters were combating fires in several areas of the Base.

The Fire Chief returned to his headquarters at approximately 2100 hours on 1 November and briefed various staff officers on the status of the fire. The Fire Chief secured to his quarters at 2230 hours leaving the Assistant Chief of "B" Platoon in command.

On the morning of 2 November 1966, the Fire Chief assumed command of overall operations at 0700. Staff members of the Fire Department, consisting of both "A" and "B" Platoons, were briefed, with the fire being divided into four sectors and assignments as to sector bosses and equipment being made. "A" Platoon relieved "B" Platoon in the field with twelve members of "B" Platoon being held over to bring the fire to a rapid conclusion.

At approximately 0905 the Base Fire Chief monitored a radio message by Fire Captain Church, Sector Boss of Sector "A"-- "Get those people out of there, they are in the middle of a fire storm." This was repeated several times. At 0920 Fire Department Headquarters received a request for an ambulance that a Marine had been injured. At 0936 a helicopter was requested to evacuate the man.

The Base Fire Chief notified Base Headquarters of the accident. Fire fighting operations were going on through the entire fire area which consisted of mopping up operations and completely securing the fire lines.

At approximately 1215 Fire Captain . reported by telephone that he was calling for Fire Captain Church to report that a Fire Department search team had found three bodies in Grid Quadrant Area 578898. This information was relayed to Base Headquarters and the Accident Investigation Section at 1222 hours.

The Base Fire Chief briefed the Chief of Staff, Base G-4, and Base G-3 at 1300 and then proceeded to the accident area. The bodies were viewed and so indicated on appropriate charts. The Base Fire Chief left the scene at 1530 hours and returned to his headquarters.

The fire was contained at 1600 hours on 2 November 1966 and secured at 1800 hours on 3 November 1966, with approximately 3700 acres burned, four Marines dead, one Marine on the critical list, and one minor injury to a civilian fire fighter.

I swear that the above statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Fire Chief, Base Fire Department


TAB A: Acknowledgment of Fifth Amendment Warning

TAB B: Weather Conditions on 1 and 2 November 1966

With the United States Armed Forces
At Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton
County of San Diego
State of California

On this, the 4th day of November 1966, before me the undersigned officer, personally appeared .

known to me to be employed by the armed forces of the United States and to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same. And the undersigned does further certify that he is at the date of this certification a commissioned officer of the rank stated below and in the armed forces of the United States on active duty.


Major, U. S. Marine Corps

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TAB A: Acknowledgment of Fifth Amendment Warning

THE FIFTH AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF
THE UNITED STATES

No person shall be held to answer for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a Grand Jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the Militia, when in actual service in time of war or public danger; nor shall any person be subject for the same offense to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb; nor shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself, or be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation.

4 November 1966

(Date)

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(Time)

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I, _____, have read and have had thoroughly explained to me the foregoing Fifth Amendment of the Constitution of the United States, and have been informed of the nature of the investigation of the offense of which I am suspected, on the above date and time.

I, _____, do of my own free will and well knowing my rights under the above Amendment, make the following statement to _____, whom I know to be a member of the ~~Criminal Investigation Section of the Base Provost Marshal's Office~~ Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, California, Board of Investigation being conducted.

(Signature)

(Address)

WITNESSED BY:

Major, USMC

TAB B: Weather Conditions on 1 and 2 November 1966

Memorandum relative to conditions of weather on 1 and 2 November 1966

1 November 1966

<u>Time</u>	<u>Temperature</u>	<u>Humidity</u>	<u>Wind</u>
1000	95 degrees	10%	N - NW 14 miles
1200	98 degrees	7%	N - NW 14 miles

Fire Storm winds estimated at 50 - 60 miles per hour

2 November 1966

0900	86 degrees	18%	N - NW 11 miles
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Fire Storm and "up-canyon" winds estimated at 40-50 miles per hour

SWORN STATEMENT OF GUNNERY SERGEANT _____,
ADVANCED COMBAT TRAINING COMPANY, 2d INFANTRY
TRAINING REGIMENT, MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP PENDLETON,
CALIFORNIA

Having been warned of my rights under Article 31, UCMJ, and fully understanding the meaning thereof, I voluntarily make the following statement:

I am the Operations Chief of the Replacement Draft, Training Group, Advanced Combat Training Company. My office is in building 43202 at Camp Las Pulgas, where the Group headquarters is located.

About 0930 on 1 November 1966, I observed smoke rising from the Pulgas Lake area while looking out the window of my office in building 43202. I immediately notified the fire department by dialing 3333, but the line was busy. As soon as the line was clear, I called again and reported that there was a fire in the PAPA 3 Training Area. I then received a call from Gunnery Sergeant _____ informing me that the fire was a big one. I informed him that there was a tanker on the way. He told me to inform the fire department that one tanker would not control this fire. I passed this word on to the fire department.

Gunnery Sergeant, U. S. Marine Corps

With the United States Armed Forces
At Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton
County of San Diego
State of California

On this the 5th day of November 1966, before me the undersigned officer, personally appeared _____ known to me to be serving with or in the armed forces of the United States and to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same. And the undersigned does further certify that he is at the date of this certification a commissioned officer of the rank stated below and in the armed forces of the United States on active duty.



Major, U. S. Marine Corps

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SWORN STATEMENT OF GUNNERY SERGEANT _____,
USMC, ADVANCED COMBAT TRAINING COMPANY, 2d INFANTRY TRAINING
REGIMENT, MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

Having been warned of my rights under Article 31, UCMJ, by
Major _____ and fully understanding the meaning
thereof, I voluntarily make the following statement:

I am the senior tactics instructor of the Replacement Draft
Group of the Advanced Combat Training Company. Our Group
headquarters is located at Camp Pas Pulgas.

I was checking the area prior to training on the morning of
1 November 1966, Staff Sergeant _____, being the primary
instructor of the day, was also there. Smoke grenades had
been issued for training, however the word came through that
no pyrotechnics of any kind would be used because of the
extreme fire hazard. We took immediate steps to recover
those smoke grenades already issued. By this time one train-
ing unit had already assaulted their objective and a trainee
popped a smoke grenade to signal securing of the hill. This
was done before the word reached them and this grenade started
the fire. The latter part of this is not by eye witness account
on my part but from all I can gather this is how it started. I
first saw smoke and fire at about 0830. With the low humidity
and high fire danger factor I felt this to be a serious matter.
I therefore started immediately for the nearest phone which
was at the assembly area several hundred meters away. On the
way I noticed a HUE helicopter over the fire and before I
reached the phone I saw one fire truck arriving. I assume
that the helicopter had already radioed the fire alarm. I
still went to the phone and called Camp Pulgas (Gunnery
Sergeant _____ and requested that he call the fire department.
My duties were in a different area the next day and the re-
mainder of that day so this is the extent of my knowledge of
the fire.

This statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge
and belief.

Gunnery Sergeant, U.S. Marine Corps

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With the United States Armed Forces
At Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton
County of San Diego
State of California

On this the 16th day of November 1966, before me the undersigned officer, personally appeared known to me to be serving with or in the armed forces of the United States, and to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same. And the undersigned does further certify that he is at the date of this certification, a commissioned officer of the rank stated below and in the armed forces of the United States on active duty.

Major, U. S. Marine Corps

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SWORN STATEMENT OF SERGEANT
U.S. MARINE, ADVANCED COMBAT TRAINING COMPANY, 2d INFANTRY
TRAINING REGIMENT, MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP PENDLETON,
CALIFORNIA

Having been warned of my rights under Article 31, Uniform Code of Military Justice, and fully understanding the meaning thereof, I voluntarily make the following statement:

I am presently serving as an assistant instructor for the Replacement Draft Training Group, Advanced Combat Training Company. The Group headquarters is located at Camp Las Pulgas.

On 1 November 1966 at approximately 0730, I arrived at the T-7 portion of the PAPA 3 Training Area and reported for duty to Staff Sergeant [redacted] as one of his assistants. Following the lecture phase of his presentation, I then picked up my group of approximately 50 men and went to the Station #3 objective area. I then gave them a ten-minute briefing and in summary told them to prepare a 360° perimeter defense for those who would be attacking us.

During the assault phase, at approximately 0930, a red-smoke grenade was thrown by the assaulting force, resulting in a fire. I immediately had my troops start to control it. A runner was sent over from Captain [redacted]. He told me to report to the road and assume control of the 48-man working party, standing by for fire fighting duty. I went back to the company area and returned with all available tools. We then worked at the task of fire fighting for 30 to 45 minutes until an MP with a bullhorn ordered everyone out of the fire area. A muster was held, and the trainees went back to their routine. I remained in charge of the 48-man working party. Captain [redacted] then issued his instructions to me on the buddy system, staying out of the fire area in the valley, keeping the fire from swinging back to the dry river bed and crossing the main road. At approximately 1200, after the training was secured, Captain [redacted], Staff Sergeant [redacted], and Sergeant [redacted] arrived and assisted in the supervisory effort. We were successful in keeping the fire from crossing the firebreak on the ridge southwest of Station #3. We put it out and secured at approximately 1600, but on our way in we saw a fire on the side of the slope we had just contained. Staff Sergeant [redacted] and I stayed on station while Captain [redacted] went back for fresh troops. About 15 minutes later a fire tanker stopped and we showed him where we needed help.

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He had previously been stopped but, being empty, had told us he would fill up and return. The driver asked for a road location and his rider then said they could not make it up with the gear they had. I might mention that this was my only personal contact with fire fighters this date. Earlier in the morning I had observed a similar truck drive up the same firebreak trail but I had no contact with it.

Captain returned with a fresh crew and we continued until 2100 hours, when we succeeded in putting it out and we secured.

I swear that this statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Sergeant, U. S. Marine Corps

With the United States Armed Forces
At Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton
County of San Diego
State of California

On this, the 8th day of November 1966, before me the undersigned officer, personally appeared known to me to be serving with or in the armed forces of the United States and to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same. And the undersigned does further certify that he is at the date of this certification a commissioned officer of the rank stated below and in the armed forces of the United States on active duty.

Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Marine Corps

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SWORN STATEMENT OF
FIRE CAPTAIN, ENGINE COMPANY 8, "B" PLATOON, CAMP PENDLETON,
CALIFORNIA

Having been warned of my rights under the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States by Lieutenant Colonel , and fully understanding the meaning thereof (see TAB A), I voluntarily make the following statement:

Jur I am presently employed by the Fire Protection Division at Camp Pendleton in the capacity of Fire Captain. I normally work on alternating 24-hour duty day with "B" Platoon.

On 1 November 1966 at about 0940 I received a call over the station alarm phone from the Fire Department Dispatcher that a grass fire was reported in Piedra de Lumbre Canyon. I responded with my International Scout and two men in a forestry brush truck. When we arrived at the scene, the fire was out of control, fanned by strong east winds and heading up to the ridge. My forestry brush truck was directed to try and hold the left flank by going up an old firebreak. I proceeded up the canyon north to a road which took me up to the heights for a better view of the head of the fire and the direction in which it was heading. I received word from my forestry brush truck by radio that they could not make it up the steep break, and I told them to join me at my location (approximately 570910), as I was in a position to see the direction the fire was taking and we might be able to catch it on the next ridge. Another forestry brush truck had arrived in the area and I radioed them my location in order to have two units to try and make a stop. When the two forestry brush trucks arrived, I showed them the direction to take and went down the hill, picking up another forestry brush truck, and sending it after the other two. I received word by radio from my forestry brush truck that was leading the group that the fire was causing spot fires far out ahead and that they could not hold.

I met Fire Captain on the road and it was decided to try and hold the fire at Lower Horno Canyon Road. All available equipment in our area was dispatched to this location, and permission for a back-fire attempt was requested by Captain by radio and granted. A fire fighter with a back-fire torch proceeded to set the back-fire while we moved east out of the canyon. The back-fire attempt was not successful, and the main fire jumped the road, heading northwest. Captain was going to scout the Sunrise Highway

area, and I was to report to Pulgas Lake (I don't recall for what purpose). On my way down Basilone, just after turning off Horno Canyon Road, I saw Assistant Fire Chief [redacted] in his pickup truck. I stopped to advise him on the situation. When Fire Chief [redacted] arrived, he decided to make the junction of Horno and Basilone the Command Post. After contacting all units to move out to the perimeter of the fire until a thorough survey could be made, he left in an International Scout with Fire Captain [redacted] for a trip around the perimeter of the fire. Assistant Chief [redacted] went to check out another fire at a range in the area, and I remained at the Command Post. Fire Chief [redacted] radioed to move the Command Post down Lower Horno Canyon Road to the bleachers and as Assistant Chief [redacted] had returned we did this. My next order was to contact two forestry brush trucks near Range 215 and stand by while the electronic gear was being removed. This I did and then received a call by radio to move the two forestry brush trucks up to Lower Horno Canyon Road and control a fire burning back into the area. After doing this I returned to the Command Post and was told by Assistant Chief [redacted] to pick up Fire Chief [redacted] at the site over from the Command Post, where the helicopter was landing. I then took Chief [redacted] back to the Command Post. He gave Assistant Chief [redacted] and me a picture of the situation at present from his map. Chief [redacted] told Assistant Chief [redacted] and myself to make a perimeter run around the fire and check the situation from the ground. We left in my International Scout and proceeded down Lumbre Canyon south on the side where the fire originated. Going west down Lumbre we made our way up to the old firebreak across the ridge. From here we could view the progress of the fire, the conditions of the firebreaks, fuel in the area, and accessibility. After doing this we returned down from the ridge and proceeded west to old Highway 101 from Lumbre Canyon. Traveling north on old 101 we cut east off of old 101 and came in contact with a Marine Captain and two jeeps full of Marines. He said Fire Captain [redacted], two civilian firefighters, one forestry brush truck, and a bulldozer were working up on the ridge. We proceeded to Captain [redacted] position; and as the dozer was completing the cleaning of the old firebreak and building another one further over, Assistant Fire Chief [redacted] told him to move his units down on old 101. I helped move personnel down in my Scout.

After this, Assistant Chief [redacted], and myself headed up Lower Horno Canyon Road east to the Command Post. Before arriving at the Command Post, we stopped at a point overlooking the

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Range 215 area to go over details with Fire Captain and Fire Chief . Chief left and then reported by radio that a small hot spot in the creek bed by Lower Horno Canyon Road was kicking up again. We could see the location from the hill we were on, and I responded with Fire Fighter Raub in a forestry brush truck. We arrived at the location and extinguished the fire. I returned in my Scout with the forestry Brush truck and Raub to the location of Assistant Chief .

We went to the Command Post and Assistant Chief left to go to Range 215. We were having a sandwich when a radio message was sent to us to proceed to Range 215. We worked the fire here for approximately one to two hours and then responded to a fire at the picnic area in Woods Canyon. We reported back from there to Lower Horno Road and Lumbre (upper) Road and then to old 101 and Lower Horno, extinguishing spot fires across old 101

I told one forestry brush truck to patrol old 101 all night as per orders from Assistant Chief

I returned to my station at 2355, 1 November 1966 and ordered my brush truck to patrol Lumbre Canyon all night.

At 0500 on 2 November 1966, I logged out of the 43 area fire station with orders from my superiors to make a tour through Piedra de Lumbre Canyon, relieve the two fire fighters in forestry brush truck #81, which had patrolled the Canyon all night, and to relieve forestry brush truck #11 which had patrolled old Highway 101 all night. After completing this, I was to work my way up to the ridge overlooking the east section of Piedra de Lumbre Canyon and check conditions at this point. On arriving on top of this ridge and traveling in a northerly direction, I came to an area where the fire was starting to pick up again on the east side of the ridge. I radioed for a forestry brush truck and gave a report on the conditions present. When the forestry brush truck and two fire fighters arrived, their truck stalled while climbing the road along a steep firebreak and froze in gear. The pump unit was still in action so we wet down the areas we could reach from the truck and proceeded to fight the advancing fire with hand tools. I had radioed for a wrecker, bulldozer, and brush trucks and had advised that we were attempting a holding action. At approximately 0720 a Jeep with Marine Corps Captain and a driver notified me

that he would have troops available. I told him I was awaiting my Relief Captain with instructions for the day's effort and that he was to report to him and have his men stand by at the Lake Area until a plan of action was decided. I was called away to the radio and he left.

I was turning my Scout vehicle around to head down the old firebreak past the stalled forestry brush truck when Fire Captain Church arrived. I worked my way over to his vehicle to check conditions with him. Fire Captain Church told me he had met Captain on the way up to my location and that they would use the lake as a mustering area for the troops. I was contacted by radio that I would stay on the fire line and that Captain Church would be in command, although my shift was ended at 0730.

A forestry brush truck arrived and went to work controlling the fire. The wrecker arrived and went to work with the crew to see if he could take enough weight off the transmission of the stalled forestry brush truck to take it out of gear. I led the bulldozer that arrived in the area along the west section of the old firebreak to clear and widen it. At this instant a fire storm came out of the Canyon to the east and we had flying embers all the way across the one section of the break, with two or three spot fires in the heavy brush to the west of the break. Fire Captain told me to lead the bulldozer to the outside of the small spot fires to see if this would contain them. We managed to cut off and isolate the hottest areas and the bulldozer went back to widening the area. I told Fire Captain I would see what was holding the wrecker operation up and moved down to where they were working. The forestry brush truck was too heavy for the wrecker to shove in that steep position and the ground was too soft for the wrecker to make it around the forestry brush truck. We decided to drain nearly 300 gallons of water from the forestry brush truck to lighten the load. While this was being done, another fire storm swept up over the ridge below the forestry brush truck where I was working. This was a densely wooded area and I could not observe any personnel in the area below. After the worst had passed, smoke and ashes were everywhere. I heard a yell below the ridge on the west side and on looking over spotted several figures moving out of the smoke--to my knowledge there had been no Marine Corps or fire fighting personnel in the area. They were yelling something, but I couldn't make it out at first. Then I got word from the nearest Marine, later identified as Private First Class Swaufield, that he had just come

up from there and that another Marine was burned. I contacted Captain on the situation and he arranged for an ambulance. I sent two of my crew down to render aid and told them if possible to bring the man out below. I drove through the smoke and ashes to Captain position and told him my two men were going down and I would drive down to the lake and meet the ambulance and lead it in. I continued on down past the lake and to the Canyon mouth. On my way down from the ridge, my crew had reached the injured man and a helicopter was requested. On my arrival at the scene below the ridge I met Fire Captains and . I drove back down and picked up a corpsman and brought him up to the area where the helicopter was to set down. Shortly the helicopter arrived, and the injured Marine was brought out and put aboard.

I picked up my fire fighters and we returned to the Command Post on the ridge.

I swear that this statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Fire Captain, Base Fire Department

TAB A: Acknowledgment of Fifth Amendment Warning

With the United States Armed Forces
At Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton
County of San Diego
State of California

On this the 15th day of November 1966, before me the undersigned officer, personally appeared known to me to be employed by the Armed Forces of the United States and to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same. And the undersigned does further certify that he is at the date of this certification a commissioned officer of the rank below stated and in the Armed Forces of the United States and on active duty.

Major, U. S. Marine Corps

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TAB A: Acknowledgment of Fifth Amendment Warning

THE FIFTH AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF
THE UNITED STATES

No person shall be held to answer for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a Grand Jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the Militia, when in actual service in time of war or public danger; nor shall any person be subject for the same offense to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb; nor shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself, or be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation.

5 November 1966

(Date)

1530

(Time)

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I, _____, have read and have had thoroughly explained to me the foregoing Fifth Amendment of the Constitution of the United States, and have been informed of the nature of the investigation of the offense(s) of which I am suspected, on the above date and time.

I, _____, do of my own free will and well knowing my rights under the above Amendment, make the following statement to LtCol _____, whom I know to be a member of the ~~Criminal Investigation Section of the Base Provost Marshal's Office~~, Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, California, Board of Investigation being conducted.

(Signature)

(Address)

WITNESSED BY:

Major, USMC

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SWORN STATEMENT OF CAPTAIN ³⁴ 081718/0302,
U. S. MARINE CORPS, ADVANCED COMBAT TRAINING COMPANY, 2D
INFANTRY TRAINING REGIMENT, MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP PENDLE-
TON, CALIFORNIA

Having been informed of my rights under Article 31, UCMJ, by
Lieutenant Colonel ³⁴ t, USMC, and fully understand-
ing the meaning thereof, I voluntarily make the following
statement:

I, Captain _____, am assigned the primary duty as Replace-
ment Draft Group Leader of the Advanced Combat Training
Company. This group is located at Camp Las Pulgas, with its
headquarters in building 43202. I am responsible for the
training of draft personnel assigned by Staging Battalion.
I control the support of the training syllabus and provide
the instruction contained in the syllabus. Major _____
is the Staging Battalion representative. He provides billets,
messing facilities, and administrative control and responsi-
bility for units outside of training. Major _____ also
has his headquarters in building 43202.

On 1 November 1966, about 0900, Captain _____ and myself
were in the PAPA 3 Training Area and observed smoke coming
from the offensive tactics training area (T-7). We began to
drive toward the area. Enroute we passed Gunnery Sergeant
_____, my senior tactics instructor, in his private car.
He stopped and informed me that there was a fire and that he
was going to report it at the nearest phone. He then departed.
Arriving at the fire, which extended around the nose of a
ridge from coordinates 580908 to 581907, I observed small
units of trainees and instructors trying to control a grass
fire. Staff Sergeant _____ the primary instructor for
offensive tactics informed me that the fire was started by
a smoke grenade, that the men of Unit 1022 were trying to
control the fire, and that the fire department had been noti-
fied.

Shortly thereafter, I observed fire vehicles and a Scout
headed toward our position. Captain _____ and myself made
our way up the right flank of the fire in my jeep. Enroute,
I instructed several of the small unit leaders to try and
prevent the fire from jumping the firebreak. From the high
ground at coordinates 575908, I observed a Marine conversing
with a fireman in a truck on the road about 500-600 yards
South of my position, but the truck continued on past the
fire site.

The fire was about half way up the draw (approximate coordin-
ates 578906) by now. Seeing a fire department brush truck

approaching on the road, I sent a Marine down to the road to try to bring the truck up on the firebreak. Although the truck stopped and turned around on the road, it continued on past the fire toward Horno Ridge almost immediately. At that time, on observing another fire vehicle approaching, I ran down the hill and tried to stop it but could not catch up to it. However, a third truck was approaching, so I stopped that truck and asked for assistance. The driver called someone on his radio, received an answer, and said that he must report to his chief at Horno Ridge because they were going to try to hold a fire line there. He then left.

At this time, a lieutenant arrived with a corpsman. I directed him toward the Marine units controlling the spread of the fire. I returned to the area in the vicinity of the bridge at coordinates 584906 and talked with Lieutenant the Commander of Unit 1022. I asked him to take his men up the firebreak on the left flank extending from 582903 to 584905 and attempt to clear it of grass to prevent the fire from crossing over it. The fires on the flanks were small and spread rather rapidly. Word was passed for the details to reform. However, a few were still putting out embers on the firebreak. The wind was spreading the embers and flames on the left flank toward the firebreak.

About 1015, Major my commanding officer, arrived and I briefed him.

The corpsman, left by the lieutenant, advised me of two minor casualties. He did not think that they needed immediate evacuation.

About 1030, a lance corporal from the Provost Marshal's Office arrived and, using a microphone, began to call the units down from the flanks. I asked what he was doing ~~and~~ and he said he was told to get the people off Horno Ridge and that he thought the word was passed by the Fire Marshal.

I told the MP that this was not Horno Ridge, and I had him broadcast to the Marine fire fighters to remain where they were. However, by this time the fire had been extinguished on the right flank where it began and the left flank was beginning to burn more rapidly. Therefore, I instructed the MP to go ahead and call the units down off the hill and have them assemble at his position on the road. After the units withdrew, musters were taken and all personnel were accounted for.

About 1100, the fire had reached the top of the draw and had crossed over the ridge line at coordinates 574905 (approximate), well above Eagle Peak, headed in a southwesterly direction toward the PAPA 2 Training Area. Because I had received no help from the Fire Department, I took Major [redacted] jeep to Horno Ridge Road looking for firemen, hoping to obtain information with respect to the over-all fire situation. However, no firemen were in sight.

When I returned to the area, Unit 1022 reported that all were present, and they then returned to training.

A forty-eight man detail from Unit 4004 was left. I detailed Staff Sergeant [redacted] and Sergeant [redacted] to stay with the 48-man detail and to prevent the fire from spreading at the base of hill in the grassy area. Captain [redacted] and Staff Sergeant [redacted] took my vehicle to secure food and water for these people.

About 1230 I returned to building 43202 with Major [redacted]. At building 43202, I informed Gunnery Sergeant [redacted] the senior staff NCO located at the Staging CP, about the disposition of the 48-man fire detail and that the members of the detail were being fed and supplied with water.

About 1300 Captain [redacted] and Staff Sergeant [redacted] returned to the 48-man detail with food and water.

About 1630, Captain [redacted] and I returned to the PAPA 3 area. The fire was smoldering but there were a few blazing and scattered fires which were campfire in size behind Objective D (coordinates 585902 to 582903) in the PAPA 3 area. Also there were small fires on the ridge slope leading to Eagle Peak (Hill 1350--coordinates 574901). There were no major blazes anywhere in the PAPA 3 area at that time.

The 48-man detail was being rotated by Captain [redacted] and Staff Sergeant [redacted]. With a fresh detail, we organized squads, fire teams, and buddy-teams and moved to the cut (draw) between Objective D and the ridge slope of 1196. Captain [redacted] took the detail, except for three men which I took, and we extinguished all visible flames in the vicinity of Objective D and the slope to 1196. The wind and scattered fires had acted as a back-fire and we mainly covered up the burning logs and flames or dug up the smoldering grass. We tried to establish a firebreak free of embers and burning matter. All visible fires and blazes were out. However

coals and embers could be observed further up the cut. By 2000, the details were withdrawn and all persons were accounted for.

About 2035 I phoned Major [redacted], reported the situation, and told him that only the units (3016 and 4008) training were left in the PAPA 3 Area. He informed me that details from the "fly-away" Units were available if needed. I returned to the PAPA 3 area on my way home. I observed no fires there.

About 2130 I called Major [redacted] my commanding officer, and gave him a brief situation report.

About 0330 on 2 November 1966, I returned to the PAPA 3 area and observed no fires ablaze in the area of Objective D.

About 0530 on 2 November 1966, I observed the area above Objective D and the ridge slopes between hills 1196 and 1350. Small scattered fires were burning.

About 0615 at building 43202, I was informed by Gunnery Sergeant [redacted] that Staff Sergeant [redacted] reported at 0445 to the Duty NCO, Sergeant [redacted], that the fires had started burning in the PAPA 3 area and that the Fire Department had been notified.

At 0650, I left with Private First Class [redacted], my driver, to observe the fire at Objective D. Arriving in the area, I saw a fire truck and a Scout on the firebreak leading to Eagle Peak (midway between hills 1196 and 1350). I went to the Vietnam Village (coordinates 593895), phoned Gunnery Sergeant [redacted] and asked that a fresh fire detail be sent to the vicinity of building 43991 (the Butler Building) in the PAPA 3 area.

The driver then drove me up to the fire vehicles on the ridge above the fires. I asked for the senior man with the firemen. A fireman, without identifying head gear, identified himself to me as the person-in-charge. Fire Captain [redacted] later told me that it was Fire Captain Voorhees. I asked if he needed help. He informed me that the gears were frozen in the brush truck. We talked about the fire and he stated that he didn't need any men on the ridge with him. I told him I was going to stage the 50-man unit at the foot of the ridge. He warned me not to allow the men to get too far up into the brush line and to be careful. I replied we would only prevent the fire from spreading into grass at the base of the ridge. I then left the fireman's area on the firebreak.

About 0720, while returning from the ridge to the area of building 43991 (Butler Building), I passed Fire Captain Church, the first man that I was ever aware of with any authority. I told him of my conversation on the ridge. He also told me not to allow the man to go too far into the brush. He requested me to direct expected equipment on arrival to the top of the ridge. I continued to building 43991 to meet the arriving details and equipment.

A power wagon (three-quarter ton, 4-wheel-drive truck) with sixteen (16) Six-Month Reserves arrived. Private First Class I believe, was in charge. I unloaded these at the stream bed adjacent to building 43991 and sent the truck back for others.

A low-boy truck with a bulldozer arrived and I sent to direct and guide him to the firebreak to report to Fire Captain returned and a brush truck arrived. I again dispatched to guide this rig to Fire Captain position on the ridge leading to hill 1350.

About 0750, returned and stated that Fire Captain wanted twenty (20) of my detail on the ridge at his position. Thirteen (13) of the Six-Month Reserves were sent in a power wagon. led this detail to the ridge top.

Soon thereafter, a wrecker arrived and was assisted to the designated firebreak. About this time, 0830, the first truck load of Staging Battalion personnel arrived. The truck had twenty-three men in it. The driver had been with another detail at Objective D on the evening of 1 November so he was familiar with the area. I told the driver to take the detail to the turn-around or drop-off point we used the previous evening. He pointed to the correct area and I indicated that he was right.

I called for the senior NCO and determined that Lance Corporals Hobbs and Zarbok were the two senior members of this detail. They moved to a position where they could observe Objective D and, in substance, I gave them the following instructions:

The driver will take you to the base of the finger (pointing to Objective D). At the drop-off point--the truck turn-around--assemble your men and organize them into squads, fire teams, and two-man buddy teams. No one will work alone. Wait at the truck turn-around for shovels, picks, and other equipment. Don't get near the fire until NCO's and senior personnel arrive with instructions. Stay in position until you are told how to move.

Lance Corporal Hobbs was designated as the senior man in charge of the detail, and he and Lance Corporal Zarbok were to form the two squads.

The truck left with this detail, moving toward Objective D, and it returned in about ten minutes. A jeep with trailer arrived with tools and it was sent to the truck turn-around where the 23 men were assembled. I attempted to make a phone call at the emergency phone near building 43991 to obtain some NCO's, but the phone was out of order.

About 0910, the second portion of the detail arrived. Sergeant _____, who was with Captain Benjamin on Objective D fighting fire on the evening of 1 November, was in charge. I told him that Hobbs and Zarbok were at the truck turn-around and tools were already there. Sergeant _____ acknowledged that he knew the area I was talking about. I instructed Sergeant _____ to get a muster of the 23-man detail from Hobbs and to muster his people and organize the two details into squads, fire-teams, and two-man buddy teams and to wait for instructions. I told him not to fight the fires in the brush, but to prevent the embers from spreading on the grassy slopes at the base of Objective D and the adjacent stream bed. I drew him a map in the dirt. He understood what I had instructed him to do, and he departed with the detail.

About 0915 my jeep returned. I left the PAPA 3 area and returned to building 43202. At building 43202, I sent Captain _____ to the PAPA 3 area with instructions not to fight the fire, but to prevent the grassy slopes from burning, and I explained the position of the two units which were there--the thirteen Six-Month Reserves, with Fire Captain Church and the detail of approximately 50 men with Sergeant _____. I sent Captain _____ to the PAPA 3 area with my driver, Private First Class _____.

I informed Gunnery Sergeant _____ at the Staging Battalion office in building 43202 about the use of the fire detail and explained that they were not fighting the fire but were trying to control the grassy slopes to prevent the spread of the fire--the same as we had done the day before. Arrangements for relief and chow were made at that time.

I returned to my office. Major _____ was there. We discussed the situation briefly, and the Major departed for San Onofre. As he departed, I received a call from Captain _____ --about 1010. I was advised that Private First Class Terrazas, of Unit 4004, had been burned and evacuated by

chopper. The degree of injury was not known, but he believed it to be serious. I sent Gunnery Sergeant to inform Gunnery Sergeant .

I left in another jeep for the Vietnamese Village, where Captain and Sergeant were assembling people and taking muster. I was informed that Lance Corporal Zarbok was missing. Lance Corporal Hobbs accounted for all of his twelve-man squad, but no correct count was available for the eleven-man squad of Lance Corporal Zarbok. Sergeant prepared a written roster and accounted for all of the men in the detail that he arrived with. The firemen accounted for the thirteen-man Six-Month Reserve detail and reported over the radio that all Marines in the detail were present.

Sergeant was able to determine by talking to the Marines present that the following men who were in Lance Corporal Zarbok's squad were missing: Lance Corporal Zarbok, Private Connor, and Private First Class Hanshew. It was known that Private First Class Terrazas had been evacuated, but no one present was aware that Private First Class Hendrix was missing until his body was found on the hillside.

Concurrently with the mustering, firemen on the ridge spotted what appeared to be one or two human bodies in the burned-over area. The firemen then entered the area to investigate and found three bodies.

During all of this activity, Major and Captain arrived at the Vietnamese Village, and the Staging Battalion took charge of its own mustering.

Also about this time, Colonel , the Commanding Officer of the 2d Infantry Training Regiment, arrived. I briefed him on the situation, and he directed me and Major to secure our details, which we did.

Shortly after returning to the company area, I learned that the firemen had found a fourth body in the burned-over area.

I swear that the above statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CAPTAIN, U. S. MARINE CORPS

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With the United States Armed Forces
At Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton
County of San Diego
State of California

On this, the 6th day of November, 1966, before me, the undersigned officer, personally appeared known to me to be serving with or in the armed forces of the United States and to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same. And the undersigned does further certify that he is at the date of this certification, a commissioned officer of the rank stated below and in the armed forces of the United States on active duty.

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Lieutenant Colonel, U. S. Marine Corps

SWORN STATEMENT OF CAPTAIN 087261, USMC,
ADVANCED COMBAT TRAINING COMPANY, 2d INFANTRY TRAINING REGIMENT
MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

Having been warned of my rights under Article 31, UCMJ, by
Lieutenant Colonel , and fully understanding the
meaning thereof, I voluntarily make the following statement:

I have been assigned to the Replacement Training Group of the
Advanced Combat Training Company at Camp Las Pulgas since
20 October 1966. I am the Officer-in-Charge of the Tactics
Section, which is responsible for conducting the tactics
portion of the training that replacements for Vietnam receive.

At about 0900 on 1 November 1966 I was in the vicinity of
Pulgas Lake observing training. At this time I observed smoke
coming from the PAPA 3 area where offensive tactics problems
were being conducted. I went to this area and spoke to the
senior instructor present, Staff Sergeant
who was positioned near the bridge at coordinates 584906. He
informed me that Captain was also in the area. Shortly
after this Captain jeep drove by and I stopped it and
asked the driver where the Captain was. He told me and said
that Captain had sent him back to the company area to
get tools with which to fight the fire. I then joined Captain
on the top of a hill (grid coordinates 575908) overlook-
ing the fire. While we were standing on this hill, we ob-
served a fire truck to the North on the road below us. Captain
signaled for this truck to stop, which it did, and he
pointed to a location where the truck could go to fight the
fire. It appeared as though the driver of the truck was aware
of Captain's signal. However, after a minute or so the
truck drove off in a different direction. Captain : then
ran down the hill to catch the fire truck and I returned to
the bridge where Staff Sergeant initially met me.
When I reached this point, Captain was already there.
We talked briefly and I then returned to the company area.
This was about 1100. At about 1300 I saw Captain in
the company area, and he told me to get some NCO's, go to the
scene of the fire, and take charge of the detail that was then
fighting the fire. Myself, Staff Sergeant , and
Sergeant joined Sergeant and
forty-eight men at the fire. These men were part of a pre-
designated fire fighting detail from Staging Battalion. By
about 1600 the fire in this area had been extinguished, and
we began shuttling the fire fighting detail back to its billet-
ing area. Just prior to the time I began sending the troops
back, a fire truck drove by on the road to the east of us in
grid coordinates 5890. I sent my jeep after it since we still
had some embers burning. The jeep driver returned and informed

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me that the fire truck was out of water and that he would return when he had refilled. After sending about half of the troops back, Staff Sergeant [redacted] and I started to return to the company area. On the way back I noticed the fire was burning in an area (grid coordinates 580900) adjacent to that which we had just left. I left Staff Sergeant [redacted] in the field to direct the fire truck to the new fire while I went to the company area to get fresh troops. On the way back I met Captain [redacted] in the vicinity of the Butler hut near Pulgas Lake. I informed him that I had relieved the fire fighting detail but that I had subsequently spotted a new fire and was going to get fresh troops.

I returned to the scene of the fire, with the troops at about 1700. Staff Sergeant [redacted] informed me that the fire truck had returned but the civilian firefighting personnel in the truck had refused to give any assistance. We moved the trucks as near to the fire as possible and then unloaded the troops. Before leaving this point, Captain [redacted] told the troops who were already formed into squads and fire teams, to pair off and to keep track of their "buddy" at all times. We then proceeded to the fire itself. We extinguished the fire and returned to the trucks at about 2100. While fighting the fire that night we had fifty troops, supervised by Captain Bruner, myself, Staff Sergeant [redacted] Sergeant [redacted], and Sergeant [redacted]. At no time during the first day of the fire did we receive any assistance from the Base Fire Department, nor was I contacted by anyone from the Fire Department.

On the morning of 2 November 1966, at about 0830 at the company office, Captain [redacted] told me to go to the area where we had fought the fire the previous night and to take charge of the fire fighting detail there. He instructed me not to fight the fire but merely to prevent it from spreading beyond the stream bed where he had staged the troops. I got in a jeep and asked the driver if he had just returned from the fire with Captain [redacted]. He replied that he had, and I told him to take me to the same place he had just come from. We drove up to the firebreak on the ridgeline above the draw in which the fire was burning. When we arrived, I could observe only three or four Marines and two or three civilian fire fighters on the firebreak. There was a good deal of smoke so I couldn't see the remainder of the Marines which I was certain were there. I was starting into the smoke to determine what the disposition of the Marines on the ridgeline was when a civilian fire fighter in a Scout drove out of it. I asked him how many Marines were in there and he

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replied that they were all along the ridgeline. I again started into the smoke to determine if there was any danger from smoke inhalation and to determine exactly how many troops were on the ridgeline. At this point someone yelled that a civilian fire fighter wanted to talk to me. I walked about 50-75 yards back up the ridgeline to the point where Fire Captain [redacted] was sitting in a Scout. I believe it was at this time that he informed me that a Marine had been burned. I monitored his radio transmissions and receptions and learned that the injured man would be evacuated by helicopter. I could not ascertain the degree of seriousness of the injury, but in my own mind I did not feel it could have been too serious since Captain [redacted] had indicated that the troops were, at most, only on the fringe of the fire itself. Also, from my experience the entire previous day, I knew the Marine fire fighters were never put in a position where they could be seriously injured. While talking with Fire Captain Church, I contacted the senior Marine on the ridgeline and ascertained that he had brought twelve men with him to the present position and that he could account for all of them. By this time the wind had shifted, clearing the smoke, and all the Marines were clearly visible. I told the Marine in charge of that detail to assist the civilian fire fighters but not to put himself or his men in any danger. I then started down to the truck turn-around at the mouth of the draw, where I expected to find the remainder of the Marine fire fighters. On the way to that location, in the vicinity of Pulgas Lake, I observed a group of Marines standing around and determined that they were part of the fire fighters and that they had been sent from the draw to the lake by Sergeant [redacted], who was still in the draw. I proceeded to the draw, where I found a helicopter waiting to evacuate the injured man. I met Fire Captain [redacted] there and determined that, to the best of his knowledge, all Marine fire fighters had been sent from the draw to the lake, with the exception of those involved in evacuating the injured man to the helicopter. Sergeant [redacted] was among those assisting in removing the injured man, and when he reached me at the mouth of the draw, he said that he believed he could account for all of the Marine fire fighters. We got into my jeep and went to Pulgas Lake. When we arrived, I directed him to take a muster. He could account for fifty men, which was the number of men he believed were in the detail. I then told him to get a roster of the men present by name and serial number. In the meantime, Fire Captain [redacted] arrived at the lake and requested a roster of the men there. I told him we were preparing one and would provide him with a copy. He gave us the names of the men who were with him on the ridgeline. Following this, Captain [redacted] arrived at the lake. Sergeant [redacted] came

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to Captain : and myself shortly after Captain arrival and said it appeared that Lance Corporal Zarbok was missing. This was about 1000. Captain directed me to call the Staging Battalion Office at Camp Las Pulgas and request a search of that area for Lance Corporal Zarbok. I spoke to Gunnery Sergeant at the Las Pulgas Staging Battalion Office. He agreed to do that and to call me back. Immediately after I made the aforementioned phone call, it was determined that Connor was also missing and that he and Zarbok were definitely seen by other members of the detail at the scene of the fire. At this point, we organized a search party and, along with Fire Chief , we prepared to return to the area where the missing men were last seen. Just as we were about to leave on the search, Fire Captain received a radio message from Fire Captain , who was again on the ridgeline, that he spotted what appeared to be two bodies and that he was going to the spot where he saw the suspected bodies and would report what he found as soon as possible. About twenty minutes later, Fire Captain informed Captain and me that three bodies had been found. Subsequent to speaking with Fire Captain all Marine fire fighters were assembled at Pulgas Lake. I directed Sergeant to take a muster. He reported that all men were accounted for. At this point we knew that Lance Corporal Zarbok, Private Connor, and Private Hanshew were missing. Shortly after this muster was taken, the Marines were taken to their billeting area. This was about 1130.

I swear that the above statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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Captain, U. S. Marine Corps

With the United States Armed Forces
At Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton
County of San Diego
State of California

On this, the 6th day of November 1966, before me the undersigned officer, personally appeared known to me to be serving with or in the armed forces of the United States and to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged

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that he executed the same. And the undersigned does further certify that he is at the date of this certification, a commissioned officer of the rank stated below and in the armed forces of the United States on active duty.

By 

Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Marine Corps

SWORN STATEMENT OF SERGEANT , 2055149,
ADVANCED COMBAT TRAINING COMPANY, 2d INFANTRY TRAINING
REGIMENT, MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

Having been warned of my rights under Article 31, UCMJ,
and fully understanding the meaning thereof, I voluntarily
make the following statement:

On Tuesday, 1 November 1966, I was out in the PAPA 3 area.
I am an assistant instructor in offensive tactics. I had
just finished with one assault on my hill. The time was
about 0900. I looked over to Objective 3 where I could
expect my next troops. There was a fire. I waited awhile
to see if my troops were going to come. Then I went over
to the bridge. There was a fire-fighting detail and some
tools there. I went up the hill with some of them and Staff
Sergeant Marquette and Sergeant to keep the fire from
spreading. The trainees were also fighting the fire. We
concentrated on digging up the firebreaks. Around noon an
MP and a Major called the troops off the hill. I came in
to the area and ate. Around 1300 Staff Sergeant Marquette
and Captain picked me up in a jeep and we went back
to the fire. Sergeant was already out there with
some troops. We fought the fire and had it pretty well con-
tained around 1600. Around then I saw a fire truck drive by
and we sent our driver to fetch it. The driver of the fire
truck said the truck was going to get water. I went on back
to the area. On the way to supply to put up the tools,
Captain stopped me and said the fire had started
up again. We went on back. Captain was there. He
told us to pair off and just keep the fire from spreading,
and in so many words he said not to endanger ourselves. I
took off with twelve men and later picked up two more. My
men and I secured our area. These men were all fresh troops.
By 2000 we left the fire area. It was pretty well out. I
went back to the area and took the troops to the mess hall
where chow was already prepared for them.

I swear that the above statement is true and correct to the
best of my knowledge and belief.

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, JR.
Sergeant, U. S. Marine Corps

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ENCLOSURE (11)

With the United States Armed Forces
At Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton
County of San Diego
State of California

On this, the 16th day of November 1966, before me
the undersigned officer, personally appeared
JR., known to me to be serving with or in the armed forces of
the United States and to be the person whose name is sub-
scribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged that he
executed the same. And the undersigned does further certify
that he is at the date of this certification a commissioned
officer of the rank stated below and in the armed forces of
the United States on active duty.

Major, U. S. Marine Corps

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SWORN STATEMENT OF STAFF SERGEANT
USMC, ADVANCED COMBAT TRAINING COMPANY, 2d INFANTRY TRAINING
REGIMENT, MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

Having been warned of my rights under Article 31, UCMJ, and fully understanding the meaning thereof, I voluntarily make the following statement:

I am an assistant instructor for defensive tactics with the Tactics Section of the Replacement Draft Training Group of the Advanced Combat Training Company. On Tuesday night, 1 November 1966, I was in charge of a defensive problem on Objective "D".

I had two platoons dug into defensive positions on the objective. There were no fires on the objective at the time. However, Captain had a working party in the area making a firebreak along a trail which runs across a draw from coordinates (approximate) 582902 to 584898.

The fire had burned itself out by about 2030. Captain then told me to watch the fire and to call the fire department if it started up again.

At about 0400 on Wednesday, 2 November 1966, the fire was going again. I moved my troops off of Objective "D" to the vicinity of Objective "A" above the Butler building, where they were to run a night attack problem. While they were moving out to the line of departure to get set for the attack, I called the operator for the Las Pulgas fire department. It was about 0430. I waited and nothing happened, so I hung up and called the Duty NCO. I told him to call the fire department and report the fire. I assume that it was done.

At about 0520 I was back at the Butler building. I flagged down a scout coming down the road, and I asked him if he was from the fire department. He said, "Yes," so I told him about the fire and said it would get worse if it wasn't attended to. I assume that when he drove off he went to check it out.

I swear that this statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Staff Sergeant, U. S. Marine Corps

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With the United States Armed Forces
At Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton
County of San Diego
State of California

On this the 8th day of November, 1966, before me the undersigned officer, personally appeared _____, known to me to be serving with or in the armed forces of the United States and to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same. And the undersigned does further certify that he is at the date of this certification a commissioned officer of the rank stated below and in the armed forces of the United States on active duty.

Lieutenant Colonel, U. S. Marine Corps

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SWORN STATEMENT OF SERGEANT 1 2053746, USMC,
ADVANCED COMBAT TRAINING COMPANY, 2d INFANTRY TRAINING REGIMENT,
MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

Having been warned of my rights under Article 31, UCMJ, and fully understanding the meaning thereof, I voluntarily make the following statement:

On or about 0445, 2 November 1966, while standing the duty as NCO for the Replacement Draft Training Group at Camp Las Pulgas, I received a phone call from Staff Sergeant , non-commissioned officer in charge of training at the T-8 area. He informed me that a fire had started again back up in the area that had been contained late on the 1st of November. I was told to notify the fire department. Following this call, I dialed 3333 and reported that there was a fire in the Piedra de Lumbre Canyon, headed toward the Horno Summit area. I also gave directions on how to get to the scene of the fire. This is entered as an 0445 entry in my Duty NCO Log.

Sergeant, U. S. Marine Corps

With the United States Armed Forces
At Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton
County of San Diego
State of California

On this the 5th day of November 1966, before me the undersigned officer, personally appeared RONALD S. McMINN, known to me to be serving in or with the armed forces of the United States and to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same. And the undersigned does further certify that he is at the date of this certification a commissioned officer of the rank stated below and in the armed forces of the United States on active duty.

Major, U. S. Marine Corps

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ENCLOSURE (13)

SWORN STATEMENT OF _____, PAYROLL _____, FIRE
CAPTAIN, ENGINE COMPANY 1, "A" PLATOON, CAMP PENDLETON,
CALIFORNIA

Having been warned of my rights under the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, and fully understanding the meaning thereof (see TAB A), I voluntarily make the following statement:

I reported for duty at 0700 hours, November 2, 1966. My duty day usually starts at 0730 on alternate days. Having previous information of the fire already in progress since 1 November 1966, I reported for duty early. Upon arrival I was briefed by my superiors, and at 0720 hours I proceeded to the fire line known as sector "A", of Piedra de Lumbre Canyon. I was to relieve Fire Captain _____ of "B" Platoon who had been fighting the fire on the previous day. He was subsequently informed that he would remain at the scene under my command. At approximately 0735 hours I came in contact with Marine Corps Captain _____. He was in a jeep with his driver coming down the road I was driving up to my area. He told me that Fire Captain _____ had instructed him to muster his Marines at the bottom of the hill near the north end of the lake in Piedra de Lumbre Canyon. I answered him that this was fine, if I needed him I would know where he was. I asked him to direct a dozer and a wrecker that was coming in to remove a disabled fire truck, to my area if he saw it. Shortly thereafter the two vehicles were escorted to my location by his jeep driver. I asked him to have Captain _____ send me about 15 Marines. Approximately 30 minutes later 13 Marines arrived to assist me. I directed them to stand by. I should mention, that at about 0750 we had a fire storm located approximately 250 yards north west of my Command Post. Fire Captain _____ and two fire fighters were present on the scene also. At this time another fire truck arrived to assist us. We then contained the fire from getting away at this point. I noticed another fire storm building up in the canyon below us. Smoke was building up between Fire Captain _____ and myself, and our vision between us was lessening. The fire storm broke at approximately 0905 hours with flames over 100 feet high in the canyon. The bushes and brush were extremely heavy in this area, averaging six to ten feet in height. A Private First Class Swaufield appeared out of the fire area at this time, adjacent to Fire Captain _____, informing him that there were Marines in the canyon below, and that one was burned badly. He immediately notified me, and with other fire fighters we proceeded to rescue the injured Marine. I had contacted all units on my radio and informed them to clear all Marine Corps personnel out of the fire area. At no time while on the fire line did I order any Marines into the fire area. My assigned Marines were still standing by my Command Post. Fire Captain _____

took charge of removing the burned Marine down to where the helicopter flew him out. During all this time Private First Class Swaufield was with me. He was so emotionally worked up and in such a state of shock that I had to devise a scheme to occupy him. I ordered him to muster all Marines in the area, getting their names, rank, and unit, which he did. When finished he had appeared to have calmed down considerably and I could talk to him. He told me that a Private First Class had been with him when he was with the burned Marine. They had really tried to make a stretcher with their fatigue jackets, but being unsuccessful had moved him to a burned out space for his safety, remaining while he went for assistance, up the hill. The Marine personnel that were in the canyon had never contacted or been observed by me. Upon questioning Private First Class Swaufield, he said he did not know who had sent these people into the area other than that he was a Marine Captain. They had been ordered to make up fire teams of three men and proceed up the canyon to the top of the hill and fight the fire down the valley floor. Captain and myself then directed Marines in our area to conduct a tally, and we rendezvoused at the lake area. Here we contacted Marine Captains and who we asked for a roster of personnel engaged in the fire fighting effort. Colonel , in charge of Base Maintenance, was in the area at this time and was briefed as to fire conditions and our attempt to receive muster reports. We were then told by Captains and that two Marines were believed to be missing. I drove back to my Command Post and was informed by Fire Fighter that he thought he had spotted a body. From my vantage point on the ridge I looked down the valley and observed two objects which appeared to be bodies. I notified my superiors over the radio that I was leaving my radio vehicle to make a search with . Fire Captain had monitored this radio conversation and proceeded up the canyon in my direction with Fire Captain and Fire Fighter . At approximately 1200 hours we all arrived in the area and spotted three bodies. We notified our superiors of this by Fire Captain Jennings calling the Fire Chief direct by land line telephone. My group returned to my sector where we continued our fire fighting effort. A fourth body was discovered later when the stretcher teams went in.

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TAB A: Acknowledgment of Fifth Amendment Warning

With the United States Armed Forces
At Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton
County of San Diego
State of California

On this the 16th day of November 1966, before me the undersigned officer personally appeared known to me to be employed by the armed forces of the United States, and to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same. And the undersigned does further certify that he is at the date of this certification a commissioned officer of the rank stated below and in the armed forces of the United States on active duty.

Major, U. S. Marine Corps

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TAB A: Acknowledgment of Fifth Amendment Warning

THE FIFTH AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF
THE UNITED STATES

No person shall be held to answer for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a Grand Jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the Militia, when in actual service in time of war or public danger; nor shall any person be subject for the same offense to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb; nor shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself, or be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation.

4 November 1966

(Date)

2230

(Time)

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I, _____, have read and have had thoroughly explained to me the foregoing Fifth Amendment of the Constitution of the United States, and have been informed of the nature of the investigation of the offense(s) of which I am suspected, on the above date and time.

I, Walter I. CHURCH, do of my own free will and well knowing my rights under the above Amendment, make the following statement to Lt Col N. J. BEAT, whom I know to be a member of the ~~Criminal Investigation Section of the Base Provost Marshal's Office~~, Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, California, Board of Investigation being conducted.

(Signature)

(Address)

WITNESSED BY:

Major, USMC

SWORN STATEMENT OF LANCE CORPORAL RONALD DIXIE HOBBS, 2109342, USMC, 4th REPLACEMENT COMPANY, UNIT 4004, STAGING BATTALION, MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

Having been warned of my rights under Article 31, UCMJ, by Lieutenant Colonel , and fully understanding the meaning thereof, I voluntarily make the following statement:

At about 0800 on 2 November 1966, a 50-man fire-fighting party was organized at the ACT Company area at Las Pulgas. I was with the first group of 23 men which departed the area at about 0810 for the PAPA 3 Training Area. The remaining Marines in the detail were to depart the area later to join us.

At about 0830, our truck arrived at the Butler building in the PAPA 3 Training Area, where we were met by Captain . Captain appeared to be somewhat concerned when he discovered that there were no E-4's or above aboard. Since Lance Corporal Zarbok and I were the two senior men in the group and I was senior to Zarbok, Captain Bruner told me that I would be in charge of the group. In essence, Captain Bruner instructed Lance Corporal Zarbok and me as follows:

You will be taken by this truck to the vehicle turn around area in the vicinity of the fire. Upon arrival, you will assemble your people in squads and fire teams, making sure that you use the buddy system, that is, ensuring that at least one man is in contact with another. You will then wait for the truck to return to the assembly area with the gear you need--shovels, picks, et cetera. When organized and equipped, you will position yourselves to fight the fire, but you will not fight the fire or advance too close to the fire until appropriate senior personnel arrive to assume control and instruct you as to what you will do.

By approximately 0900 Lance Corporal Zarbok and I had divided the group into two squads. Lance Corporal Zarbok took charge of the second squad and I took charge of the first. There were 5 fire teams in all, each consisting of either 5 or 4 men. Lance Corporal Zarbok controlled 9 men--1 fire team of 5 men and another team of 4. Zarbok headed the 5-man fire team, which included Private First Class Terrazas, Private First Class Hendrix, Private Connor, and Private Hanshew. Private First Class 1 headed the 4-man fire team, which included Private First Class Swaufield, Private First Class and Private First Class

When we moved out for better position about 0900, we planned to deploy our fire teams as shown on the attached sketch

(TAB A). I deployed my third fire team, which was led by Private First Class , at the base of the hill to assist in fire fighting if needed. The remaining four fire teams moved out along the ridge line in a column of fire teams with my squad up front and Lance Corporal Zarbok's squad following. The brush in the area was chest high or higher and movement was rather slow.

About 0930 my first fire team was about four-fifths of the way up the hill. The wind hit and the whole ravine seemed to go up in huge flames. We then began a rapid pace up the hill towards the firebreak. About 50 meters from the top we turned around and observed 3 people fleeing flames which appeared to be about to overrun them. We then advanced about 10 yards up the ridge and from a better position observed that the flames had engulfed the spot where the fleeing men had been seen. Actually, the flames had advanced through and past the spot some 50 yards. Three explosions in a row were observed as flames of fantastic size seemed to leap from one position to another up the hillside.

At approximately 0940 my first fire team reached the firebreak and within a minute or two the fire also had reached the firebreak. Two trucks, about 6 civilian fire fighters, and 13 Marine Reservists were observed on the firebreak.

At approximately 1000 we began helping the Marine Reservists and civilian fire fighters try to control the fire to one side of the firebreak.

About 1030 I noticed Private First Class Swaufield on the firebreak. He had black marks on his arms and face and was very nervous, tired and panicky. In essence, Swaufield's story was that the second squad had begun to fight smaller fires and when the wind hit the fire seemed to spread everywhere. Lance Corporal Zarbok's squad of 9 men had bunched together and there was confusion. According to Swaufield, Lance Corporal Zarbok, observing his squad bunched together, ordered a split of the two fire teams, each going different directions. I then asked Swaufield why Lance Corporal Zarbok hadn't moved toward the left where his fire team would have been safe, and he replied that the brush was so thick and that there was so much smoke and confusion that he didn't think the team could find a passage. Swaufield further said that when the two fire teams split up, the fire seemed to engulf the area where Zarbok's fire team had been seen last.

Private First Class Swaufield also said that his fire team saw a man stumble out of the flames, his leg still burning and his body black and charred all over. As the fire team moved him to safety, they heard screams which apparently came from the

Marines trapped in the flames. At that point, Swaufield moved up to the firebreak and told the fire fighters that a man had been burned.

As a matter of interest, at least three Marines in the initial group of 23 were volunteers. I volunteered for the fire fighting detail, and so did Lance Corporal Zarbok and Private Hanshew on the day prior to the fire, and he commented at that time that he had worked in fire control work in Idaho for about three years. The fact that he and Lance Corporal Zarbok volunteered to fight this fire might have some bearing on the degree of initiative that they displayed later.

I swear that the above statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

LANCE CORPORAL, USMC

TAB A: A Sketch Showing Planned Deployment of 23 Man Fire-Fighting Detail

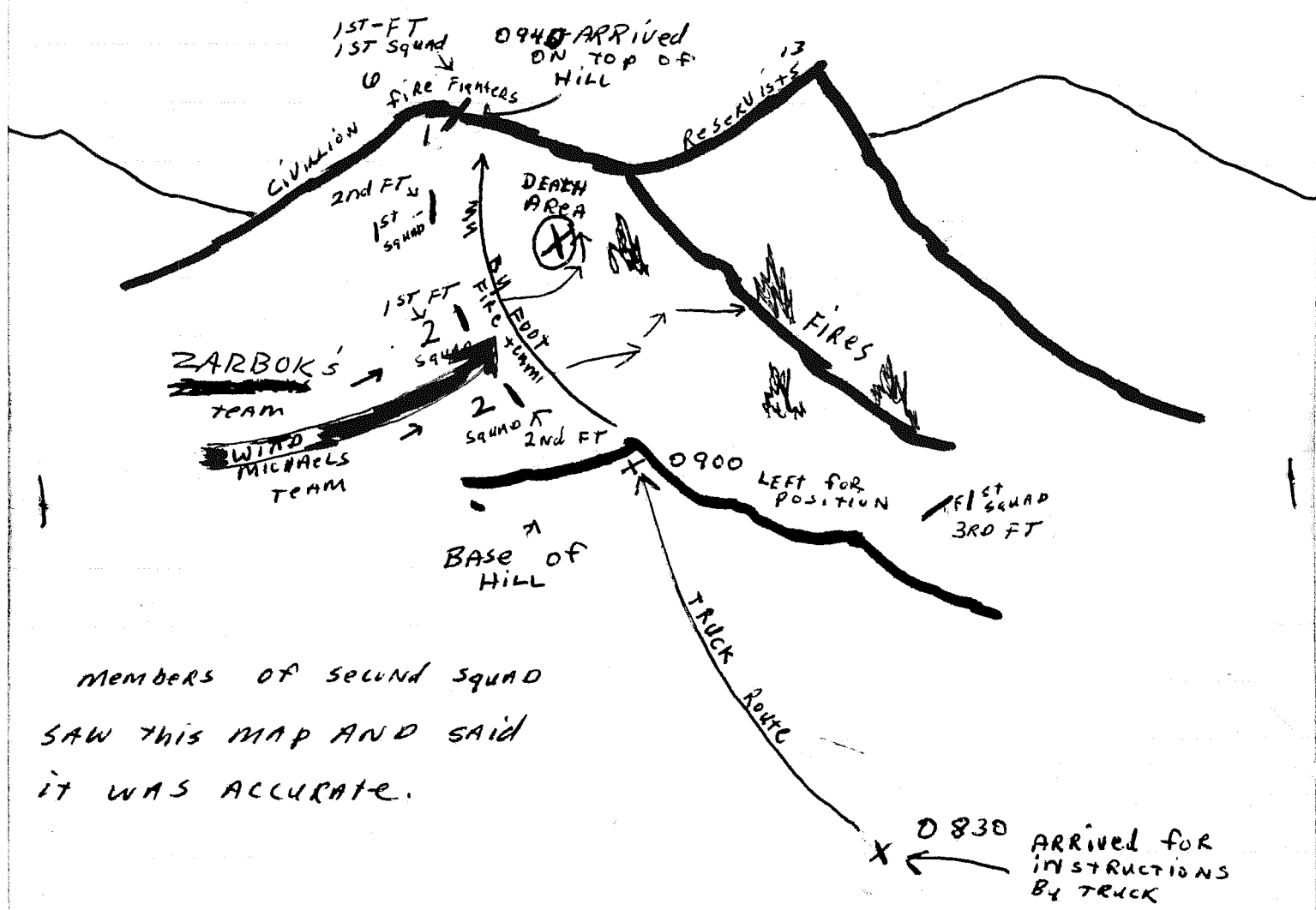
With the United States Armed Forces
At Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton
County of San Diego
State of California

On this, the 10th day of November 1966, before me, the undersigned officer, personally appeared ----- known to me to be serving with or in the armed forces of the United States and to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same. And the undersigned does further certify that he is at the date of this certification, a commissioned officer of the rank stated below and in the armed forces of the United States on active duty.

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Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Marine Corps

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TAB A: Sketch Showing Planned Deployment of 23-Man Fire-Fighting Detail



MEMBERS OF SECOND SQUAD
SAW THIS MAP AND SAID
IT WAS ACCURATE.

SWORN STATEMENT OF SERGEANT _____, JR., 1803021,
USMC, 1ST REPLACEMENT COMPANY, UNIT 1025, STAGING BATTALION,
MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

Having been warned of my rights under Article 31, UCMJ, and fully understanding the meaning thereof, I voluntarily desire to submit the following statement:

On the evening of 1 November 1966, which was Tuesday, I went with a truck to pick up fifty men to fight a brush fire in the PAPA 3 area. Upon arrival we were met by two Captains and two troop handlers. The Captain divided us into sections. One section went to the South slope of the hill and one to the top (coordinates 580902). Everything went very smooth and organized, and in about one hour the fire was out and we returned to the Las Pulgas area. Upon return, I went to the guard house, and while there I received a call from the mainside Duty Officer, First Lieutenant _____ (unit 4004), instructing me to notify either unit 3013 or 4004 to have a fifty-man fire fighting detail at the mess hall at 0630 Wednesday morning and have fifty men standing by. I sent this message out by runner from unit 4004, and it was delivered.

On Wednesday morning, 2 November 1966, I went with a truck to unit 4004's billeting area to pick up the fire fighting detail. Upon arrival, we found the troops milling around and griping about having to go fight the fire. The NCO's in charge were very unorganized and finally just grabbed fifty people. I staged these people at the guard house and loaded the first load on the truck, about 23 men, and sent them to the PAPA 3 area. When the truck returned, I loaded the rest of the troops and proceeded to the PAPA 3 area. About 100 yards from the Butler building I was stopped by Captain _____ and given instructions on what to do. They were as follows: He said that the troops on the first truck out would be standing by at the foot of the hill (approximate coordinates 584899). He said to start a firebreak at the base of the hill and under no circumstances to go up the hill into the thick brush. He also said to take a muster of all the troops. On my arrival, the troops in the first truck out were discovered to have left the area. I saw a four-man unit on my left front proceeding up the hill. I shouted to them asking where the tools were and why they were moving out. They answered that there were no more tools, and they continued to move while answering. It got to the point where we had difficulty conversing, so I told my troops to stand fast at the bottom of the hill and I ran up a trail to try to find out why they were moving out. Under the circumstances, of

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course, I did not have time to muster the troops as the Captain had directed. Then the fire broke loose. I saw several men clear the top of the ridge and others disappear in the smoke and flame. I heard some screaming. I took four men and started to go in to help, but saw the fire and heat were too great, and I didn't want to jeopardize anyone else. About this time, two civilian firemen came up and asked who sent us out. I told them we were from Staging. He said no one had informed him. Four men came out from the bottom of the hill and said they thought someone was hurt. I ordered the available persons back to Las Pulgas lake. I stayed with the firemen and proceeded to find the injured man. Then another man came running out and said there was a man hurt bad on the other slope. We couldn't get him out because there was fire between us and him. I asked them to radio for an ambulance and helicopter, which they did. I was hoping the copter could get in close enough. When the copter got there, he said he couldn't get in, so the corpsmen, firemen, and myself took the stretcher into the man, and met three more Marines and two civilian fire fighters on the other side of the draw. Then we all brought him out to the copter, made a report to the Captain, and proceeded to the lake. Then one of the Captains told me to try and find out who was missing, so I questioned all the fire team leaders and in due process found three men to be missing. I sent a driver to get chow and water for the rest of the troops, and everything after that was routine.

I swear that the above statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

BB
Sergeant, U. S. Marine Corps

With the United States Armed Forces
At Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton
County of San Diego
State of California

On this the 10th day of November, 1966, before me the undersigned officer, personally appeared BB JR., known to me to be serving with or in the armed forces of the United States, and to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same. And the undersigned does further

certify that he is at the date of this certification, a commissioned officer of the rank stated below and in the armed forces of the United States on active duty.

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Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Marine Corps

SUMMARY OF A BOARD OF INVESTIGATION INTERVIEW WITH PRIVATE
FIRST CLASS _____, USMC; PRIVATE
FIRST CLASS JOHN D. SWAUFIELD, 2250491, USMC; PRIVATE FIRST
CLASS _____, USMC; AND PRIVATE FIRST
CLASS _____, USMC, 4th REPLACEMENT
COMPANY, UNIT 4004, STAGING BATTALION, MARINE CORPS BASE,
CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

The Marines interviewed were members of the surviving fire team of the 9-man squad which was trapped by fire in a box canyon in the PAPA 3 Training Area on 2 November 1966.

The above Marines were interviewed at Camp Las Pulgas on 3 November 1966. Individual statements were not taken due to a time limitation imposed by the immediate impending departure of unit 4004 for the far east.

Speaking as senior man of the group, Private First Class _____ related in substance the following:

At approximately 0830 on 2 November 1966, thirty-five men from Unit 4004, then quartered at Camp Las Pulgas, were taken by truck to the parking lot below the administration building. _____ and the other three Marines listed above found themselves to be a part of a group of twenty-three who were separated from the original group and placed aboard a truck which immediately departed the area.

After proceeding into the PAPA 3 Training Area, the vehicle halted momentarily near a Butler hut, which is used as a classroom and assembly area. All four Marines relate that at this point a Captain asked if there were any NCO's aboard and, receiving a negative response, he selected the two senior Lance Corporals, took them temporarily off the truck and issued them some instructions. None of the four Marines heard the substance of these instructions nor did any of the four know the Captain by name. After the two Lance Corporals, HOBBS and ZARBOK, re-embarked, the vehicle proceeded on down Piedra de Lumbre Canyon to a point near Pulgas Lake where a side road was taken to a turn-around point at the entrance to a draw or canyon. From here they could see the brush fire burning. It appeared to the group to be burning slowly in some areas and fast in others. All agreed that there was little smoke except in areas where green brush was burning.

After disembarking the two Lance Corporals, HOBBS and ZARBOK, organized the entire group into squads and fire teams. _____ was appointed as team leader of the fire team concerned here in this interview. At this point the entire party was told by Lance Corporal HOBBS that there would be a short wait for

tools to arrive and that all hands could rest in the shade while waiting. From their assembly point, --- and his team related that they could see several civilian firemen on a ridge above their location but that they could see no fire-fighting equipment from there.

Hand tools arrived soon thereafter and were issued. Lance Corporals HOBBS and ZARBOK then took the fire team leaders aside and gave them instructions as to where they wanted them to move in order to be positioned advantageously in relation to the fire. The instructions were quite brief and then they moved out. From the assembly area Lance Corporal HOBBS moved up the left ridge of the canyon with part of his squad. MICHAEL's team, being a part of Lance Corporal ZARBOK's squad, moved out more or less in trace of HOBBS for a short distance and then with ZARBOK in the lead his squad angled off to the right toward the center of the canyon. At some point during this movement, which reportedly was quite difficult due to tall grass and brush, the squad heard a loud explosion behind them. Looking back down the canyon, they observed thick smoke and flames moving toward them. At that point, the squad headed across the canyon as quickly as possible in order to gain the comparative safety of an area previously burned out. While negotiating this move, they heard a cry for help. Looking back, they saw a person staggering out of the flames. They later learned that this was Private First Class TERRAZAS from the fire team with Lance Corporal ZARBOK. All four described his appearance as being charred black and as having all his clothing burned away except his boots and his belt with a layer of cloth under it. s fire team then rushed back and moved the injured man to a safer position. Meantime, SWAUFIELD moved as rapidly as possible to the top of the ridge and reported the injury to civilian firemen he found there. According to all, help arrived quickly in the form of three civilian firemen. One of the firemen radioed for a helicopter to evacuate the man to the hospital. In the meantime, he was moved another fifty to seventy yards and made as comfortable as possible while awaiting evacuation. The helicopter arrived and a stretcher party of four men came from the helicopter and all helped them move the injured man to the landing site about 100 yards from where the injured man was when it landed.

According to all four marines concerned in this interview, the departure of the helicopter terminated their activities

directly concerning the fire, and at that point they were moved back down toward Pulgas Lake and subsequently entirely out of the area.

Lieutenant Colonel, U. S. Marine Corps
Senior Member

Major, U. S. Marine Corps
Member

Major, U. S. Marine Corps
Member

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SWORN STATEMENT OF _____, PAYROLL _____,
FIRE CAPTAIN, ENGINE COMPANY 5, "A" PLATOON, CAMP PENDLETON,
CALIFORNIA

Having been warned of my rights under the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States and fully understanding the meaning thereof (see TAB A), I voluntarily make the following statement:

I am presently employed by the Fire Protection Division at Camp Pendleton in the capacity of Fire Captain. I normally work an alternating 24 hour duty day with "A" Platoon. On 2 November 1966 I arrived for work at my duty station, building 1771, at 0720. Assistant Chief _____ telephoned and ordered me to report to Central Fire Headquarters, building 22131, as soon as possible for duty on a brush fire that had started on 1 November in the Pulgas Area. I left building 1771 at 0740 and arrived at 22131 at 0750. I received a briefing from Assistant Chief _____ as to the location of my zone of responsibility, Sector "B". I asked what was on my sector as far as equipment and manpower. I was told there would be nothing needed there and I would be alone. At 0802 I was accompanied by Fire Captain _____ to Sector "B" where we arrived at approximately 0840. We patrolled until about 0905 when a radio message was monitored from Fire Captain Church that there were troops below his location. Being close by I informed Church that we would move down to the valley floor and coordinate the removal of all troops. On arrival, we found approximately 24 troops in an assembly area well out of the fire danger area. Under questioning we learned they were on a fire fighting detail but had not reported to any Fire Department personnel. A fire storm had just gone up their canyon several hundred feet in front of them and they believed that there were some Marines in the canyon at that time, and one had received burns. An attempt had been made to bring him down the canyon but this was not possible without a stretcher. We radioed for an ambulance and a helicopter to remove him. This was approximately 0930. We met a Marine Captain _____ who told us that he and another Marine, Captain _____, had brought these troops out to the area. At about this time, four Marines came out of the burned area-- _____ and Haskins, and we were not able to get any coherent information from them. I ordered them to remove all Marines back to the Pulgas lake area to stand by. When the stretcher arrived with the ambulance, a rescue team went up the canyon and brought the man out. The helicopter arrived as they were returning and the injured Marine was loaded and evacuated to the USNH, Camp Pendleton. I contacted Church and we attempted to get an

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accurate head count of Marines in our areas. There was so much radio traffic that we agreed to meet at the lake area. A muster was held and it appeared that two Marines were unaccounted for, Lance Corporal Zarbok and Private Connor. Three search and rescue teams were formed, made up of one fire fighter and five Marines. A radio transmission from informed us that from his vantage point he had observed what he believed to be two people in the burned out area, now devoid of all vegetation. I ordered all troops to remain in the area, and and Fire Fighter accompanied me up into the canyon. On our approach we spotted a third body which was masked from over-head observation. Leaving Collins at the scene, and I returned to the lake area and used the emergency phone to notify Central Fire Headquarters. Captains and were also told at this time. We returned to our patrol of Sector "B" while awaiting the arrival of the Medical personnel from the 13 Area Dispensary. On their arrival I was told to lead the Medical and CIS team to the scene. The bodies were examined and tentatively identified through their identification tags, photographed, and removed to the ambulances. A further search of the area disclosed a fourth body. This was also tentatively identified, photographed and removed. I continued my patrol of Sector "B" until ordered back to the lake. At approximately 1630 an investigation party headed by Lieutenant Colonel and Majors and arrived, and I led them up to the scene. Upon return, I was relieved by Assistant Chief

I swear that this statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Fire Captain, Base Fire Department

TAB A: Acknowledgment of Fifth Amendment Warning

With the United States Armed Forces
At Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton
County of San Diego
State of California

On this the 17th day of November, 1966, before me the undersigned officer, personally appeared known to me to be employed by the armed forces of the United States and to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same.

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And the undersigned does further certify that he is at the date of this certification a commissioned officer of the rank stated below and in the armed forces of the United States on active duty.

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Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Marine Corps

TAB A: Acknowledgment of Fifth Amendment Warning

THE FIFTH AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF
THE UNITED STATES

No person shall be held to answer for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a Grand Jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the Militia, when in actual service in time of war or public danger; nor shall any person be subject for the same offense to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb; nor shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself, or be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation.

4 November 1966

(Date)

2345

(Time)

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I, _____, have read and have had thoroughly explained to me the foregoing Fifth Amendment of the Constitution of the United States, and have been informed of the nature of the investigation of the offense(s) of which I am suspected, on the above date and time.

I, _____, do of my own free will and well knowing my rights under the above Amendment, make the following statement to LtCol _____, whom I know to be a member of the ~~Criminal Investigation Section of the Base Provost Marshal's Office~~, Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, California, Board of Investigation being conducted.

(Signature)

(Address)

WITNESSED BY:

Major, USMC

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Enclosure ()

SWORN STATEMENT OF GUNNERY SERGEANT
USMC, H&S COMPANY, STAGING BATTALION, MARINE CORPS BASE,
CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

Having been warned of my rights under Article 31, UCMJ, and fully understanding the meaning thereof, I voluntarily make the following statement:

On 1 November I sent a fifty-man working party to the PAPA 3 area. During that time we had a fire in that area. Captain Bruner secured my working party and told me that he was going to have them stand by. At 0700 on the 2nd of November, Captain of the Advanced Combat Training Company came to me in my office at Building 43202 and told me to have fifty men ready to go out in the PAPA 3 area by 0830. I gave fifty men to the ACT Company and had fifty more on stand-by from unit 1018. Around 0915 Captain came to my office and told me to tell Captain that he had the men standing by along the firebreak and so far he had not used any of them to put out the fire. At 1200 on 2 November, Captain told me to load fifty men on trucks and have fifty more stand by from unit 3013. During the day I had to stay by the telephone. The Major and Captain were in the PAPA 3 area and I had to devote my efforts to matters at Camp Pulgas. I therefore had no direct contact with operations in the PAPA 3 area.

I swear that this statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Gunnery Sergeant, U. S. Marine Corps

With the United States Armed Forces
At Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton
County of San Diego
State of California

On this the 16th day of November 1966, before me the undersigned officer, personally appeared B-6, known to me to be serving with or in the armed forces of the United States and to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same. And the undersigned does further certify that he is at the date of this certification a commissioned officer of the rank stated below and in the armed forces of the United States on active duty.

Major, U. S. Marine Corps

ENCLOSURE (19)

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SUMMARY OF A BOARD OF INVESTIGATION INTERVIEW WITH PRIVATE
FIRST CLASS , USMC, 4th REPLACEMENT
COMPANY, UNIT 4004, STAGING BATTALION, MARINE CORPS BASE,
CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

Private First Class was interviewed at Camp Las Pulgas on 3 November 1966 in an effort to gain information concerning a serious brush fire which occurred at Camp Pendleton on 1 and 2 November 1966. In view of the fact that Unit 4004 was scheduled to depart for the far east on 4 November 1966 and that no intent to make a party to the investigation existed, no sworn statement was obtained.

The substance of s conversation was that on 2 November 1966 he was detailed to what he understood was a fire-fighting detail at about 0830 hours. The group he was assigned to departed by truck from Camp Las Pulgas immediately and proceeded into the PAPA 3 Training Area. On the way the truck was stopped by an officer whom recognized as Captain stated that he observed the Captain conversing with Lance Corporals and ZARBOK but that he did not listen to or understand the text of the conversation. He did, however, hear Captain instruct the driver how to get to an assembly area near what he referred to as Objective D. Captain further stated, according to , that he would send up tools for the detail as soon as possible.

From the time they disembarked from the truck until the tools arrived, a period of about fifteen minutes, the detail remained in place and was told to relax. Upon arrival of the tools, the party was organized by Lance Corporals and ZARBOK into two squads and further divided into fire teams. After some brief instructions about how they were to proceed into position, the group moved out. , having been assigned as one of fire team leaders, moved his small group in column up the left ridge flanking the canyon. He observed Lance Corporal quite a distance ahead of him. At this point-- could not offer a reasonable estimate of the hour--he stated that upon hearing a terrific roar he looked around and saw the gully bursting into violent flame. He moved his team away from the fire to comparative safety. Then, in proceeding back down the slope in the general direction of the assembly area, he encountered Sergeant coming up. Sergeant instructed to take his team and move on down the hill away from the fire.

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According to BORAWSKI, this concluded any active connection he had with the fire in question.

Lieutenant Colonel, U. S. Marine Corps
Senior Member

Major, U. S. Marine Corps
Member

Major, U. S. Marine Corps
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HEADQUARTERS
Marine Corps Base
Camp Pendleton, California 92055

8 November 1966

MEMORANDUM

From: Major 058833, USMC
To: Senior Member, Board of Investigation
Subj: Fire Danger Warning Procedures utilized during period
27 October 1966 - 2 November 1966
Encl: (1) CG, MCB msg 280346Z (271946 local time) Subject:
Fire Danger Rating
(2) CG, MCB msg 010241Z (311841 local time) Subject:
Fire Danger Rating
(3) CG, MCB msg 030214Z (021814 local time) Subject:
Fire Danger Rating
(4) Copy of Chapter 10, BO P3500.1B (Range Regulations)

1. The system of fire danger ratings by color code is outlined in enclosure (4). Basically, the color code of fire danger ratings is composed of a series of color designations starting with a lesser hazardous condition of BLUE and escalating through GREEN, ORANGE, and RED, with RED indicating the most vulnerable or hazardous condition. Origination of the rating messages is based on weather and humidity factors supplied to the fire department by the Base Aerology Section and by similar readings taken at the main base fire station. When conditions indicate a change in the fire danger condition status the decision is made by the Base Fire Chief. To implement the change the fire department immediately calls the Base G-3, the Range Coordinator, and the Scheduling Section at 2d Infantry Training Regiment. All warnings are on a projected basis to become effective at 0800 (local time) on the day following publication of the warning message. Actual drafting and publication of the message is accomplished by the Base G-3 Section.

2. In accordance with established procedure, on 27 October 1966, enclosure (1) was published to all Base units, Naval Weapons Station, Fallbrook, and Mountain Warfare Training Center at Bridgeport, giving notice of implementation of Fire Danger Rating ORANGE.

3. The next Fire Danger Rating message indicating a change from rating ORANGE to rating RED was published at 1841 (local time) on 31 October 1966 as is evidenced by enclosure (2). The order issued by the Base G-3 to suspend weapons firing until further notice was published to all units concerned by telephone at 1430 on 1 November 1966. The call was received at the Scheduling Section, S-3, 2d Infantry Training Regiment, by Staff Sergeant at that time. Staff Sergeant

ENCLOSURE (2)

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immediately called Staff Sergeant / , his counterpart at the Advanced Combat Training Unit at Camp Las Pulgas. At 1435 Staff Sergeant notified Captain , officer in charge, who immediately personally notified Section Heads responsible for training then being conducted in the PAPA 3 Training Area. The Section Heads then departed from their headquarters at Camp Las Pulgas by vehicle arriving in the PAPA 3 Area and making personal contact with troop unit leaders at approximately 1455.

4. As a matter of related interest, it was determined that on the evening of 31 October 1966 Captain instructed the Primary Instructor for training to be conducted on 1 November 1966, Staff Sergeant , to use his own judgment the next day as to whether smoke grenades should be used. Staff Sergeant wisely used this judgment on the morning of 1 November 1966 and directed that any such devices already issued be recovered. This decision was made roughly six hours prior to the G-3's order to suspend firing. Unfortunately one smoke grenade, which was later determined to have caused the fire, was not recovered in time.

5. Publication of enclosure (3) at 1814 (local time) on 2 November 1966 reaffirmed existence of Fire Danger Rating RED.

6. The system of distributing the "cease fire" order issued by the G-3, as outlined in paragraph 3 is the adopted procedure at the Advanced Combat Training Unit at Camp Las Pulgas. It is considered to be adequate and in accordance with current directives. It could be expedited and simplified by use of radio communications but the nature and volume of equipment necessary to adopt such a system would be so expensive as to make it impractical from a viewpoint of time saved and economy.

7. In regard to lower echelon unit dissemination of the fire danger rating messages, a check with all subordinate units of 2d Infantry Training Regiment reveals the following procedure to be the adopted method, not covered by written directive: Battalion level units are notified by phone by the S-3 Section of 2d Infantry Training Regiment. From this point the text of the message, along with an explanation of its meaning and any action required is passed to the training units by the most expeditious means--radio, phone, or messenger. Although this method appears to be efficient it is felt that reproduction copies of applicable extracts of enclosure (4) could easily be made. Upon receipt of a fire danger rating notice, battalion level units could cause the appropriate paper to be read or delivered to the desired sub-unit and receipt acknowledged by time and name. The ideal situation would

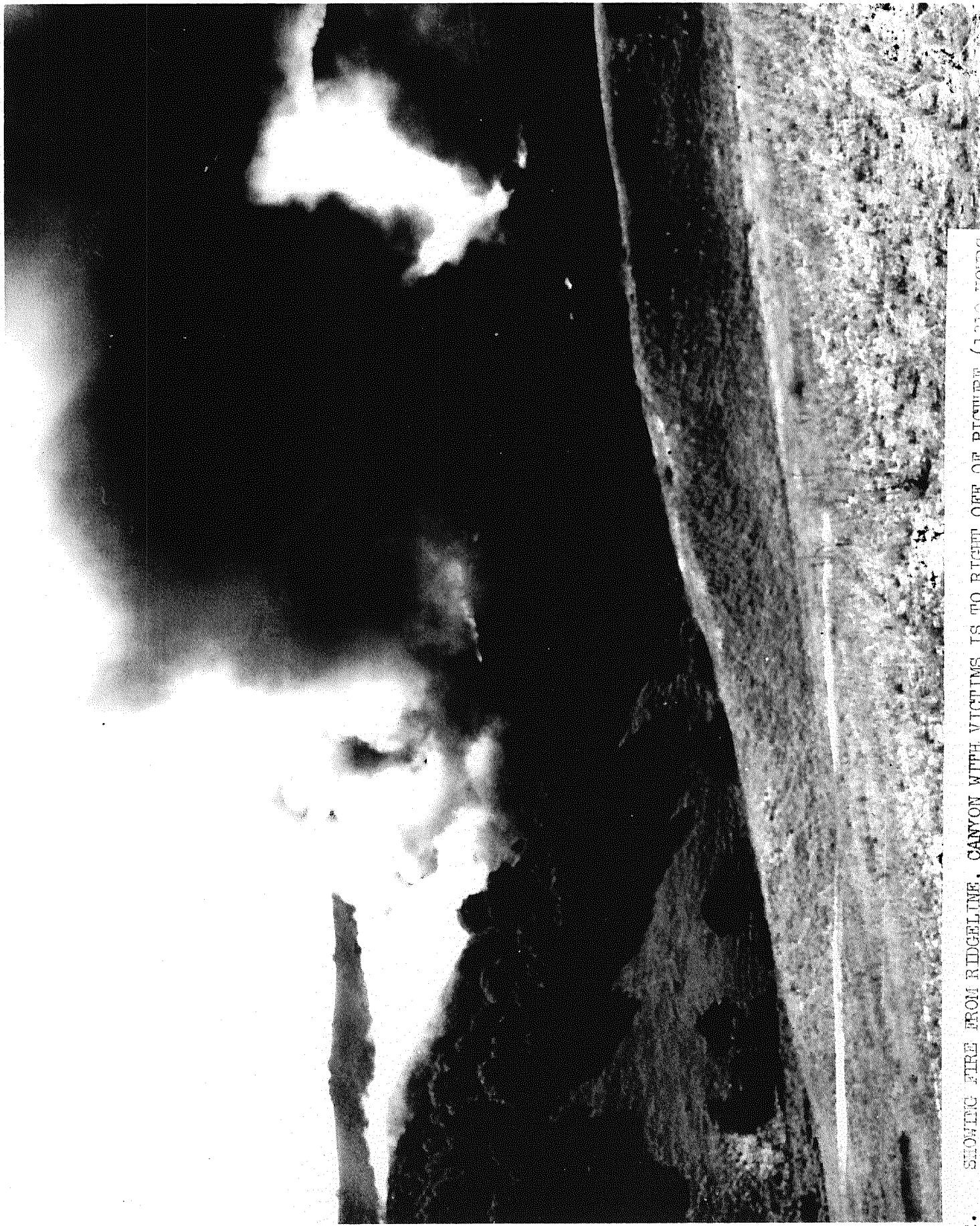
probably be to activate a special radio net upon implementation of fire danger condition RED. Stations on this net could include the fire department, the Fire Area Commander and all Base units down to and including battalion level. Such a net could very effectively accomplish earlier warning of actual fires and would most certainly establish better coordination between Marine units and fire department personnel.

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Member, Board of Investigation



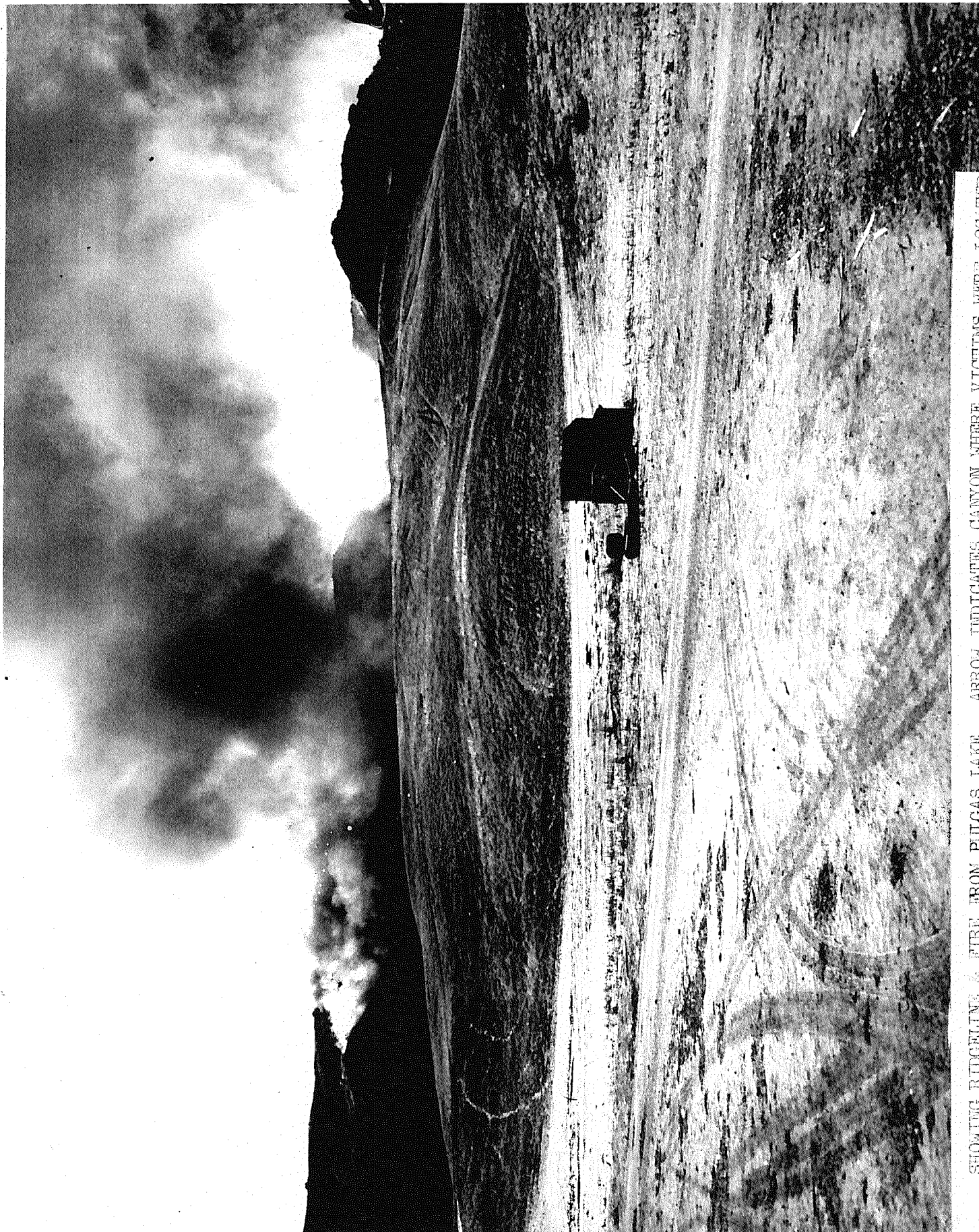
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4. SHOWING FIRE FROM RIDGELINE, CANYON WITH VICTIMS IS TO RIGHT OFF OF PICTURE (1310 HOURS
2 NOV 1966)



RETICELINE SHOWING FIRE. CANYON WITH VICTIMS LOCATED BEHIND RIDGE (1310 HOURS 2 NOV 1966)



1. SHOWING RIDGELINE & FIRE FROM PULGAS LAKE. ARROW INDICATES CANYON WHERE VICTIMS WERE FOUND.

34 MESSAGES PERTAINING TO THE INJURIES AND DEATHS RESULTING
FROM FIRE FIGHTING ACTIVITY ON 2 NOVEMBER 1966:

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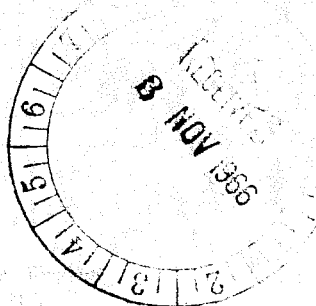
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WE ARE SORRY TO INFORM YOUR THAT YOUR SON, PFC HENRY S. TERRAZAS
, USMC, IS PRESENTLY HOSPITALIZED AT THE U. S. NAVAL
HOSPITAL, CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA AS A RESULT OF BURNS
RECEIVED WHILE A MEMBER OF A FIRE FIGHTING UNIT ENGAGED
IN FIGHTING A BRUSH FIER ON BOARD CAMP PENDLETON.
HE IS IN CRITICAL CONDITION BUT IS DOING AS WELL AS CAN BE
EXPECTED. WE ASSURE YOU THAT YOUR SON IS RECEIVING THE BEST
POSSIBLE CARE AND TREATMENT. YOU MAY VISIT HIM AT ANY
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THE STAFF AND I JOIN YOU IN PRAYER FOR HIS SPEEDY RECOVERY.
, CAPTAIN, MEDICAL CORPS, U. S. NAVY,

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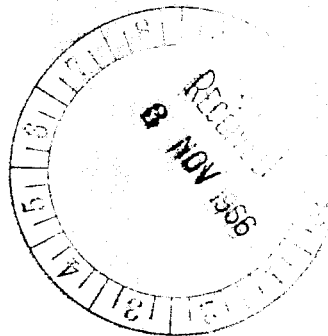
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THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE HAS BEEN SENT TO MR.

WE ARE SORRY TO INFORM YOU THAT YOUR SON, PFC HENRY J. [REDACTED]
2256471, USMC IS PRESENTLY HOSPITALIZED AT THE U.S. [REDACTED]
HOSPITAL, CAMP PENDLETON CALIFORNIA, AS A RESULT OF [REDACTED]
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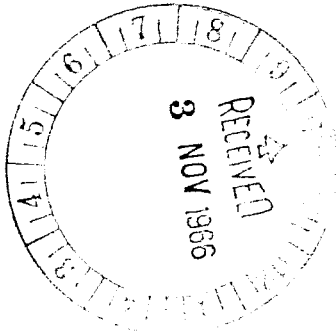
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I DEEPLY REGRET TO INFORM YOU THAT YOUR SON, PRIVATE FIRST CLASS
LESLIE WADE HENDRIX, USMC DIED ON 2 NOVEMBER 1966 AT THE MARINE
BASE, CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA AS A RESULT OF MULTIPLE BURNS
RECEIVED WHILE HE WAS ENGAGED IN FIGHTING A SEVERE BRUSH FIRE.
A TELEGRAM REQUESTING YOUR WISHES CONCERNING DISPOSITION OF
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I DEEPLY REGRET TO INFORM YOU THAT YOUR SON, PRIVATE UICIL JAMES
HANSHEW, USMC DIED ON 8 NOVEMBER 1966 AT THE MARINE CORPS BASE,
CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA AS A RESULT OF MULTIPLE BURNS RECEIVED
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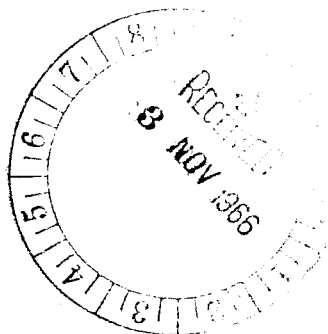
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TO RUCIDUA/ME AND HRS

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I DEEPLY REGRET TO INFORM YOU THAT YOUR SON, LANCE CORPORAL ROBERT
LEE ZARBOK, USMC DIED ON 2 NOVEMBER 1966 AT THE MARINE CORPS BASE
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A TELEGRAM REQUESTING YOUR WISHES CONCERNING DISPOSITION OF THE REMAINS
AND OTHER DETAILS FOLLOWS. PLEASE ACCEPT ON BEHALF OF THE UNITED
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MAJOR GENERAL, U. S. MARINE CORPS, COMMANDING

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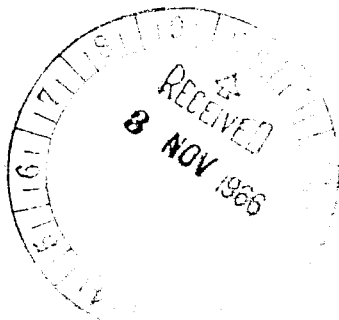
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I DEEPLY REGRET TO INFORM YOU THAT YOUR SON, PRIVATE LEWIS WAYNE
CONYER, USMC DIED ON 2 NOVEMBER 1966 AT THE MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP
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MAJOR GENERAL, U. S. MARINE CORPS, COMMANDING

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MARINE CORPS BASE
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For communication information, call 4851

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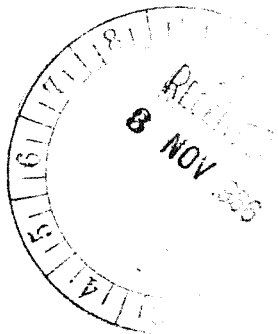
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- B. ACQU
- C. DEAD
- D. APPROX 0930 2NOVS6 IN LAS PULGAS LAKE AREA, CAMP PENDLETON FROM MULTIPLE EXTREME BURNS ENTIRE BODY WHEN FLAMES APPARENTLY ENGULFED HIM WHILE HE WAS ENGAGED IN FIGHTING A SEVERE BROWN FIRE. FIRE DETAILS PENDING INVESTIGATION.
- E. REMAINS LOCATED AT USNM CAMPEN CALIF
- F.

- (PRESENTS)
- G. OFFICIALLY NOTIFIED:
 - 1. YES, (FIGURE 10-20)
- H. ISMARGO
- I. INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY THIS CORP
- J. PAY DATA:
 - 1. PVT E-1
 - 2. \$46.90
 - 3. 7MOS 15 DAYS
 - 4. 316-72-4055
 - 5. SAME AS FOX FOOT

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- 6. NO
- 7. SAME AS FOX FOOT
- 8. \$10,000
- 9.

- SETTLEMENT OPTION
- K. BAPTIST
- L. REQ DIR FOURTH MARIPOSA DIST DESIGNATE UNIT TO MAKE CONVOLENCE CALL
- M. 1 CPL ROBERT LEE CARBON, USMC, 2ND
PFC LESLIE WARD NEWBRIX, USMC, 2ND
PVT CECIL JAMES HANSEN, 2, USMC, 2ND
PFC HENRY TERRAZAS, USMC, 2ND

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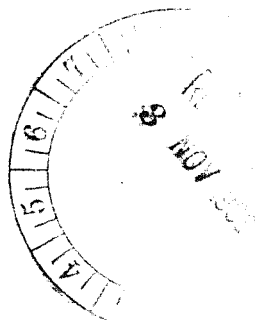
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THLIS
REPORT OF 1215-11-66
A. MARCORSIST/TCG SIC RIF LCO
1. IAW RIF A FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE REPORTED:
a. LANCE CORPORAL ROGER LEE ZARBOK,
MCS CAMPEN CALIF



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MCBCP 2100/2 (REV 10-65)

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- B. ACDU
C. DEAD
D. APPROX 0930 2 NOV 66 IN LAS PULGAS LAKE AREA, CAMP PENDLETON
FROM MULTIPLE EXTREME BURNS ENTIRE BODY WHEN FLAMES APPARENTLY
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BRUSH FIRE. FIRE DETAILS PENDING INVESTIGATION.
E. REMAINS LOCATED AT USNH CAMPEN CALIF
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VN (PARENTS)

- G. OFFICIALLY NOTIFIED:
1. YES (FIGURE 12-25)
H. 5 AUG 65
I. INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED E THIS COMD
J. PAY DATA:
1. LCPL E-3
2. \$121.30
3. 1 YR 2 MOS 28 DAYS
4. 460-58-4857
5. SAME AS FOX TROT
6. NO

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7. SAME AS FOX TROT
8. \$10,000
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(FATHER)

SETTLEMENT OPTION

- K. LUTHEPAN
L. REG DIR NINTH MARCOR DIST DESIGNATE UNIT TO MAKE CONDOLENCE
CALL
M. PFC LESLIE WADE HENDRIX, USMC, DEAD
PVT CECIL JAMES HANSHEW, USMC, DEAD
PVT LEWIS WAYNE CONNOR, M USMC, DEAD
PFC HENRY TERPAZAS, USMC, CRITICAL

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INITIALS OF COGNIZANT OFFICER

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THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE REPORTED:

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- C. DEAD
D. APPROX 0930 2NOV66 IN LAS PULGAS LAKE AREA CAMP PENDLETON FROM
MULTIPLE EXTREME BURNS ENTIRE BODY WHEN FLAMES APPARENTLY
ENGULFED HIM WHILE HE WAS ENGAGED IN FIGHTING SEVERE BRUSH
FIRE. FIRM DETAILS PENDING INVESTIGATION.
E. REMAINS LOCATED AT USNG CAMPEN CALIF
F. (PARENTS)
G. OFFICIALLY NOTIFIED:
1. YES, (FIGURE 12-29)
H. 3MAR66
I. INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY THIS COMD
J. PAY DATA:
1. PFC E-2
2. \$100.50
3. 9 MOS 27 DAYS
4. 554-58-2802
5. SAME AS FOX TROT
6. NO
7. SAME AS FOX TROT

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8. \$10,000
9. (FATHER)
LUMP SUM

- K. PROTESTANT
L. REG DIR TWELFTH MARCOR DIST DESIGNATE UNIT TO MAKE CONDOLENCE
CALL
M. LCPL ROGER LEE ZARBOX, SMC, DEAD
PVT CECIL JAMES HANSHEN, USMC, DEAD
PVT LEWIS WAYNE CONNOR, 2A, USMC, DEAD
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REPORT OF DEATH - REBATTLE

AS MARCOPPERSMAN PER 12154

1. HAVE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS BE REPORTED:

A. PRIVATE SEC. JAMES HANSEN,
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D. APPROX 0930 2 NOV 66 IN LAS PULGAS LAKE AREA, CAMP PENDLETON
FROM MULTIPLE EXTREME BURNS ENTIRE BODY WHEN FLAMES APPARENTLY
ENGULFED HIM WHILE HE WAS ENGAGED IN FIGHTING A SEVERE BRUSH
FIRE. FIRMS DETAILS PENDING INVESTIGATION.

E. REMAINS LOCATED AT USNH CAMPEN CALIF

F. MRS.

(MOTHER)

G. OFFICIALLY NOTIFIED:

1. YES, (FIGURE 12-25)

H. 12 NOV 65

I. INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY THIS COMD

J. PAY DATA:

1. PVT E-1

2. \$96.90

3. 11 MOS 21 DAYS

4.

5. SAME AS FOR TROT

6. NO

7. SAME AS FOR TROT

8. \$10,000

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9. (MOTHER) 654 -

LUMP SUM

K. METHODIST

L. REQ DIR TWELVTH MARCOR DIST DESIGNATE UNIT TO MAKE CONDOLEN

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M. LCPL ROGER LEE CARBOK,
PFC LESLIE WADE HENDRIX,
PVT LEWIS WAYNE CONNOR, M
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USMC, DEAD
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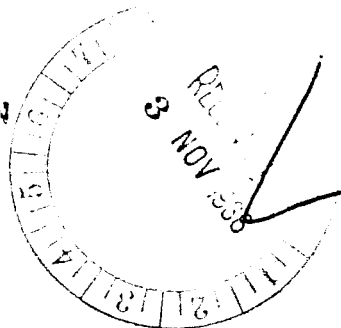
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TO RUEDFIR/MR AND MRS
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THIS INFORMATION IS INTENDED TO ASSIST YOU IN MAKING FUNERAL
ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOUR SON, PRIVATE LEWIS WAYNE CONNOR, USMC. HIS
REMAINS WILL BE PREPARED, ENCASED, AND SHIPPED AT NO EXPENSE TO YOUR
ACCOMPANIED BY AN ESCORT, EITHER TO A FUNERAL HOME OR TO A NATIONAL
CEMETERY SELECTED BY YOU. IN ADDITION YOU WILL BE REIMBURSED AN
AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS TOWARD FUNERAL AND
INTERMENT EXPENSES IF INTERMENT IS IN A PRIVATE CEMETERY, AND
HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS IF REMAINS ARE CONSIGNED TO A FUNERAL HOME
TO INTERMENT IN A NATIONAL CEMETERY, OR SEVENTY-FIVE DOLLARS IF
REMAINS ARE CONSIGNED DIRECTLY TO A NATIONAL CEMETERY. PLEASE WIRE
COLLECT TO THE COMMANDING GENERAL, MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP PENDLETON,
CALIFORNIA YOUR DESIRES IN THIS RESPECT, INDICATING THE NAME AND
ADDRESS OF THE FUNERAL HOME OR NATIONAL CEMETERY TO WHICH YOU WISH
THE REMAINS SENT AND WHETHER OR NOT YOU DESIRE AN ESCORT. THE
CAMP NELSEN NATIONAL CEMETERY, NICHOLASVILLE, KENTUCKY, IS NEAR

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YOUR HOME. LETTER WILL FOLLOW CONCERNING CIRCUMSTANCES OF YOUR
SON'S DEATH. I WISH TO ASSURE YOU OF EVERY POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE AND
TO EXTEND THE HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES OF THE MARINE CORPS IN YOUR
BEREAVEMENT.
CORPS, COMMANDING.
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INITIALS OF COGNIZANT OFFICER

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THIS INFORMATION IS INTENDED TO ASSIST YOU IN MAKING FUNERAL
ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOUR SON, LANCE CORPORAL ROGER LEE ZARBOA, USMC. HIS
REMAINS WILL BE PREPARED, ENCASED, AND SHIPPED AT NO EXPENSE TO YOU,
ACCOMPANIED BY AN ESCORT, EITHER TO A FUNERAL HOME OR TO A NATIONAL
CEMETERY SELECTED BY YOU. IN ADDITION YOU WILL BE REIMBURSED AN
AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS TOWARD FUNERAL AND
INTERMENT EXPENSES IF INTERMENT IS IN A PRIVATE CEMETERY, ONE
HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS IF REMAINS ARE CONSIGNED TO A FUNERAL HOME PRIOR
TO INTERMENT IN A NATIONAL CEMETERY, OR SEVENTY-FIVE DOLLARS IF
REMAINS ARE CONSIGNED DIRECTLY TO A NATIONAL CEMETERY. PLEASE WIRE
COLLECT TO THE COMMANDING GENERAL, MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP PENDLETON,
CALIFORNIA YOUR DESIRES IN THIS RESPECT, INDICATING THE NAME AND
ADDRESS OF THE FUNERAL HOME OR NATIONAL CEMETERY TO WHICH YOU WISH
THE REMAINS SENT AND WHETHER OR NOT YOU DESIRE AN ESCORT. THE
FORT SNELLING NATIONAL CEMETERY, SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA, IS NEAREST

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YOUR HOME. LETTER WILL FOLLOW CONCERNING CIRCUMSTANCES OF YOUR
SON'S DEATH. I WISH TO ASSURE YOU OF EVERY POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE AND
TO EXTEND THE HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES OF THE MARINE CORPS IN YOUR
BEREAVEMENT.

JR., MAJOR GENERAL, U. S. MARINE

CORPS, COMMANDING.

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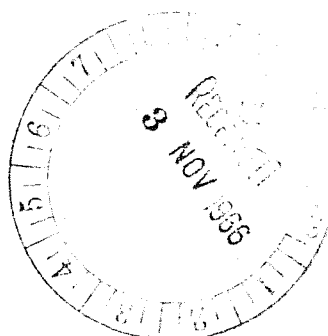
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THIS INFORMATION IS INTENDED TO ASSIST YOU IN MAKING FUNERAL
ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOUR SON, PRIVATE CECIL JAMES HANSHEW, USMC. HIS
REMAINS WILL BE PREPARED, ENCASED, AND SHIPPED AT NO EXPENSE TO YOU
ACCOMPANIED BY AN ESCORT, EITHER TO A FUNERAL HOME OR TO A NATIONAL
CEMETERY SELECTED BY YOU. IN ADDITION YOU WILL BE REIMBURSED AN
AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS TOWARD FUNERAL AND
INTERMENT EXPENSES IF INTERMENT IS IN A PRIVATE CEMETERY, AND
HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS IF REMAINS ARE CONSIGNED TO A FUNERAL HOME PRIOR
TO INTERMENT IN A NATIONAL CEMETERY, OR SEVENTY-FIVE DOLLARS IF
REMAINS ARE CONSIGNED DIRECTLY TO A NATIONAL CEMETERY. PLEASE WIRE
COLLECT TO THE COMMANDING GENERAL, MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP PENDLETON,
CALIFORNIA YOUR DESIRES IN THIS RESPECT, INDICATING THE NAME AND
ADDRESS OF THE FUNERAL HOME OR NATIONAL CEMETERY TO WHICH YOU WISH
THE REMAINS SENT AND WHETHER OR NOT YOU DESIRE AN ESCORT. THE
WILLAMETTE NATIONAL CEMETERY, PORTLAND, OREGON IS NEAREST YOU.

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HOME. LETTER WILL FOLLOW CONCERNING CIRCUMSTANCES OF YOUR SON'S
DEATH. I WISH TO ASSURE YOU OF EVERY POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE AND
TO EXTEND THE HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES OF THE MARINE CORPS IN YOUR
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MARINE CORPS BASE
CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

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THIS INFORMATION IS INTENDED TO ASSIST YOU IN MAKING FUNERAL
ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOUR SON, PRIVATE FIRST CLASS LESLIE WADE HENRY
USMC. HIS REMAINS WILL BE PREPARED, CASED, AND SHIPPED AT NO COST
TO YOU, ACCOMPANIED BY AN ESCORT, EITHER TO A FUNERAL HOME OR TO A
NATIONAL CEMETERY SELECTED BY YOU. IN ADDITION YOU WILL BE REIMBURSED
AN AMOUNT OF 10 EXCEED THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS TOWARD FUNERAL AND
INTERMENT EXPENSES IF INTERMENT IS IN A PRIVATE CEMETERY, ONE
HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS IF INTERMENT IS IN A PRIVATE CEMETERY, OR
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EXPENSES ARE CONSIDERED DIRECTLY TO A NATIONAL CEMETERY. FUNERAL
COLLECT TO THE COMMANDING GENERAL, MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP PENDLETON,
CALIFORNIA YOUR DESIRES IN THIS RESPECT, INDICATING THE NAME AND
ADDRESS OF THE FUNERAL HOME OR NATIONAL CEMETERY TO WHICH YOU WISH
THE REMAINS SENT AND WHETHER OR NOT YOU DESIRE AN ESCORT. THE
GOLDEN GATE NATIONAL CEMETERY, SAN Geronimo, CALIFORNIA, IS RECOMMENDED.

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YOUR HOME. LETTER WILL FOLLOW CONCERNING CIRCUMSTANCES OF YOUR
SON'S DEATH. I WISH TO ASSURE YOU OF EVERY POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE AND
TO EXTEND THE HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES OF THE MARINE CORPS IN YOUR
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WU224 TXP04 COLLECT TROLOCK CALIF NOV 5 932A PST

R E OUSMAN JR, MAJOR GENERAL USMC CAMP PENDLETON CALIF

I WOULD LIKE MR LESLEY HARRIS HENDRIX TO BE ATTACHED
TO GEES FUNERAL CHAPEL, GEES CALIF

TOR:033940Z

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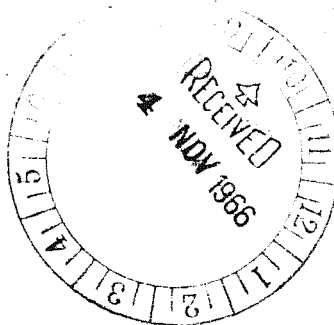
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AT 10:00 PM. THIS OFFICE PLEASE NOTIFY ROLLINS THROUGH HQ
WHEN ROLLINS IS

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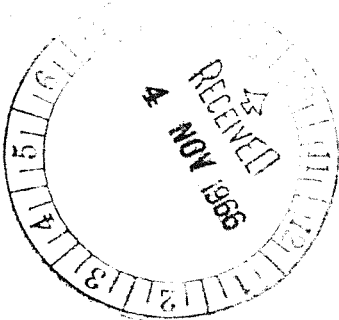
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WU039 CT HNA153 COLLECT ADN HUNTINGTON VIR 11-3-66 346P EDT

THE COMMANDING GENERAL
MCB CAMP PENDLETON CALIF

WISH THE REMAINS OF LEWIS W CONNOR SENT TO ROLLINS
FUNERAL HOME KENOVA WEST VIRGINIA WOULD DESIRE AN ESCORT

TOR: 032132Z



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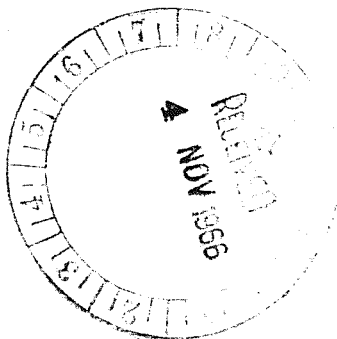
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COMMANDING GENERAL MCB CAMP PENDLETON CALIF

PLEASE SHIP LCPL ROGER LEE ZARBOX TO WULFF MORTUARY 1485 WHITE BEAR
AVE ST PAUL MINN NOTIFY MORTUARY OF ARRIVAL TIME AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
REQUEST THAT ESCORT BE SENT

TOR: 032200Z

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CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

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CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

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FM NAVHOSP CAMPEN
TO RUEDFIR

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UNCLAS
REMAINS OF YOUR SON, PVT LEWIS W. CONNOR JSMC
ACCOMPANIED BY CPL USMC AS ESCORT SCHEDULED
TO DEPART LOS ANGELES, CALIF., 1:00 AM 6 NOV 1966 VIA TRANSWORLD
AIRLINES FLIGHT NO. 72 TO ARRIVE CINCINNATI, OHIO, 9:27 AM 6 N.
1966. ROLLINS FUNERAL HOME, KENOVA, WEST VIRGINIA SIMILARLY
NOTIFIED AND REQUESTED TO MEET PLANE. YOU WILL BE INFORMED OF
ANY CHANGE IN SCHEDULE. DUE TO CIRCUMSTANCES OF DEATH REMAINS
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FM NAVHOSP CAMPEN
TO RUEDFIR/ROLLINS FUNERAL HOME KENOVA, WEST VIRGINIA
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UNCLAS
REMAINS OF PVT LEWIS W. CONNOR

USMC ACCOMPANIED BY CPL
USMC AS ESCORT SCHEDULED TO DEPART LOS ANGELES,
CALIF., 1:00 AM 6 NOV 1966 VIA TRANS WORLD AIRLINES FLIGHT NO.72
TO ARRIVE CINCINNATI, OHIO, 9:27 AM 6 NOV 1966. NEXT OF KIN,
FATHER,

SIMILARLY NOTIFIED. YOU WILL BE INFORMED OF ANY CHANGE IN SCHEDULE
TO CIRCUMSTANCES OF DEATH REMAINS CONTAINED IN SEALED CASKET
AND ARE NOT VIEWABLE. REQUEST YOU MEET PLANE.REQUEST YOU SUBMIT
BILL FOR TRANSPORTATION FROM AIRPORT TO YOUR MORTUARY TO
COMMANDANT, 5TH NAVAL DISTRICT, NORFOLK, VIRGINIA.
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TO RUCIDUA/WULFF MORTUARY 1485 WHITE BEAR AVENUE ST. PAUL
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REMAINS OF LCPL ROGER L. ZARBOX USMC, ACCOMPANIED BY CFL
6, USMC, AS ESCORT, SCHEDULED TO DEPART SAN
DIEGO, CALIF., 12:15 PM 5 NOV 1966 VIA WESTERN AIRLINES FLIGHT NR
700Y TO ARRIVE MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. 6:50 PM 5 NOV 1966.

NOTIFIED. YOU WILL BE INFORMED IMMEDIATELY OF ANY CHANGE IN
SCHEDULE. DUE TO CIRCUMSTANCE OF DEATH REMAINS CONTAINED IN SEALED
CASKET AND ARE NOT VIEWABLE. REQUEST YOU MEET PLAN. REQUEST YOU
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COMMANDANT, 9TH NAVAL DISTRICT, GREAT LAKES, ILLINOIS.
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THE FOLLOWING HAS BEEN SENT

REMAINS OF YOUR SON, LCPL ROGER L. ZARBOK 2 USMC, ACCOMPANIED
BY CPL , USMC, AS ESCORT, SCHEDULED TO DEPART
SAN DIEGO, CALIF. 12:15 PM 5 NOV 1966 VIA WESTERN FLIGHT NR 700Y
TO ARRIVE MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. 6:50 PM 5 NOV 1966 WULFF MORTUARY,

PAGE TWO RUWDFH 933 UNCLAS
1485 WHITE BEAR AVE., ST. PAUL, MINN, SIMILARLY NOTIFIED AND
REQUESTED TO MEET PLANE. YOU WILL BE INFORMED IMMEDIATELY OF ANY
CHANGE IN SCHEDULE. DUE TO CIRCUMSTANCES OF DEATH REMAINS CONTAINED
IN SEALED CASKET AND ARE NOT VIEWABLE.
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THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE HAS BEEN SENT

REMAINS OF YOUR SON, PVT LEWIS W. CONNOR USMC ACCOMPANIED
BY CIL USMC AS ESCORT SCHEDULED TO DEPART LOS
ANGELES, CALIF., 1:00 AM 6 NOV 1966 VIA TRANSWORLD AIRLINES
FLIGHT NO.72 TO ARRIVE CINCINNATI, OHIO, 9:27 AM 6 NOV 1966.

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ROLLINS FUNERAL HOME, KENOVA, WEST VIRGINIA SIMILARLY NOTIFIED
AND REQUESTED TO MEET PLANE. YOU WILL BE INFORMED OF ANY
CHANGE IN SCHEDULE. DUE TO CIRCUMSTANCES OF DEATH REMAINS
CONTAINED IN SEALED CASKET. AND ARE NOT VIEWABLE.
ROLLINS FUNERAL HOME REQUESTED TO SUBMIT BILL FOR TRANSPORTATION
FROM AIRPORT TO THEIR MORTUARY TO COMMANDANT, 5TH NAVAL DISTRICT,
NORFOLK, VIRGINIA.
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REMAINS PFC LESLIE W. HENDRIX 2215749 USMC ACCOMPANIED BY CPL
SMC AS ESCORT SCHEDULED TO DEPART SAN
DIEGO, CALIF. 2:50 PM 5 NOV 1966 VIA UNITED FLIGHT NO. 520
TO ARRIVE SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. 4:40 PM 5 NOV 1966.
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CALIFORNIA SIMILARLY NOTIFIED. YOU WILL BE INFORMED OF ANY
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YOU MEET PLANE. REQUEST YOU SUBMIT BILL FOR TRANSPORTATION
FROM AIRPORT TO YOUR MORTUARY TO COMMANDANT, 12TH NAVAL
DISTRICT, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.
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THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE HAS BEEN SENT

REMAINS OF YOUR SON PFC LESLIE
W. HENDRIX USMC ACCOMPANIED BY CPL
1984459 USMC AS ESCORT SCHEDULED TO DEPART SAN DIEGO, CALIF.
250 PM 5 NOV 1966 VIA UNITED FLIGHT NO. 520 TO ARRIVE SAN
FRANCISCO, CALIF. 4:40 PM 5 NOV 1966. CERES FUNERAL CHAPEL,
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YOU WILL BE INFORMED OF ANY CHANGE IN SCHEDULE. DUE TO
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THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE HAS BEEN SENT TO

I DEEPLY REGRET TO INFORM YOU THAT YOUR SON, HENRY TERRAZAS, 1, USMC DIED ON 5 NOVEMBER 1966 AT THE U.S. NAVAL HOSPITAL, CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA AS A RESULT OF SEVERE BURNS RECEIVED WHILE FIGHTING A BRUSH FIRE ON CAMP PENDLETON ON 2 NOVEMBER 1966. A TELEGRAM REQUESTING YOUR WISHES CONCERNING DISPOSITION OF THE REMAINS AND OTHER DETAILS FOLLOWS. PLEASE ACCEPT ON BEHALF OF THE UNITED STATES NAVY AND MARINE CORPS, AND MYSELF OUR HEARTFELT SYMPATHY IN YOUR GREAT LOSS.

, CAPTAIN, MEDICAL CORPS,
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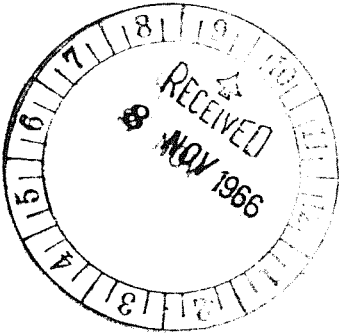
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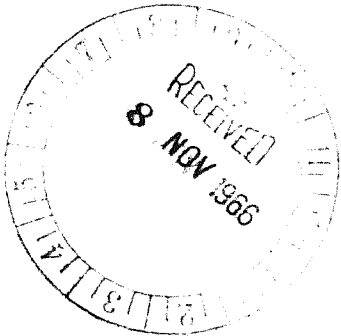
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REMAINS OF YOUR SON, PFC HENRY TERRAZAS, U.S.M.C.,
ACCOMPANIED BY [REDACTED] AS ESCORT, SCHEDULED
TO DEPART SAN DIEGO, CALIF, 1:10 PM, 7 NOV 1966 VIA
AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT NO. 35 YN TO ARRIVE SAN ANTONIO,
TEXAS, 5:11 AM, 8 NOV 1966, DEPARTS SAN ANTONIO VIA
AIR LINES FLIGHT NO. 80110Y, TO ARRIVE AUSTIN, TEXAS,
8 NOV 1966, MISSION FUNERAL HOME, 1615 E. FIRST ST., AUSTIN.
SIC [REDACTED] NOTIFIED AND REQUESTED TO MEET PLANE. YOU WILL
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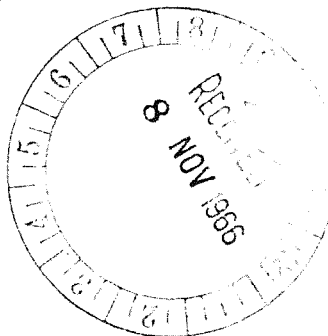
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REMAINS PFC HENERY TERRAZAS,

, USMC, ACCOMPANIED BY
JR., AS ESCORT, SCHEDULED TO DEPART SAN DIEGO,
CALIF., 11:10 PM, 7 NOV 1966 VIA AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT NO. 35
YN TO ARRIVE SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, 5:11 AM, 8 NOV 1966, DEPARTS
SAN ANTONIO VIA BRANIFF AIR LINES FLIGHT NO. BN 110Y, TO ARRIVE
AUSTIN, 8:09 AM, 8 NOV 1966, NEXT OF KIN.

, SIMILARLY NOTIFIED.
YOU WILL BE INFORMED OF ANY CHANGE IN SCHEDULE. DUE TO
CIRCUMSTANCES OF DEATH REMAINS CONTAINED IN SEALED BASKET
AND ARE NOT VIEWABLE. REQUEST YOU MEET PLANE. REQUEST YOU SUBMIT
BILL FOR TRANSPORTATION FROM AIRPORT TO YOUR HOSPITAL TO
COMMANDANT, 8TH NAVAL DISTRICT, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA.
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1. *Journal of the American Medical Association*, 1997; 277: 1033-1036.

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COPIES OF YOUR SON, PFC HENRY THURMASS, 2856641, 2414,
ACCOMPANIED BY EDWARD THURMASS, JR., AS ESCORT, DEPARTED
SAN DIEGO, CALIF., 1141G ZL, 7 NOV 1966, ON
NATIONAL AIRLINES FLIGHT NO. 85 TO ARRIVE DALLAS, TEXAS,
1200Z, 8111 ZL, 8 NOV 1966, DEPARTS SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON
AIR LINES FLIGHT NO. 84 1107Z, TO ARRIVE AUSTIN, TEXAS,
1200Z, 8 NOV 1966. DISSECTION FUNERAL 1207Z, 1615 E. FIVE, 1966, AMERIN,
SIMILARLY NOTIFIED AND REQUESTED TO MEET PLANE. YOU WILL
BE INFORMED OF ANY CHANGE IN SCHEDULE. DUE TO EXTREMELY HIGH
DEATH REMAINS COLLECTED IN SEALED CASSET AND REMAINS
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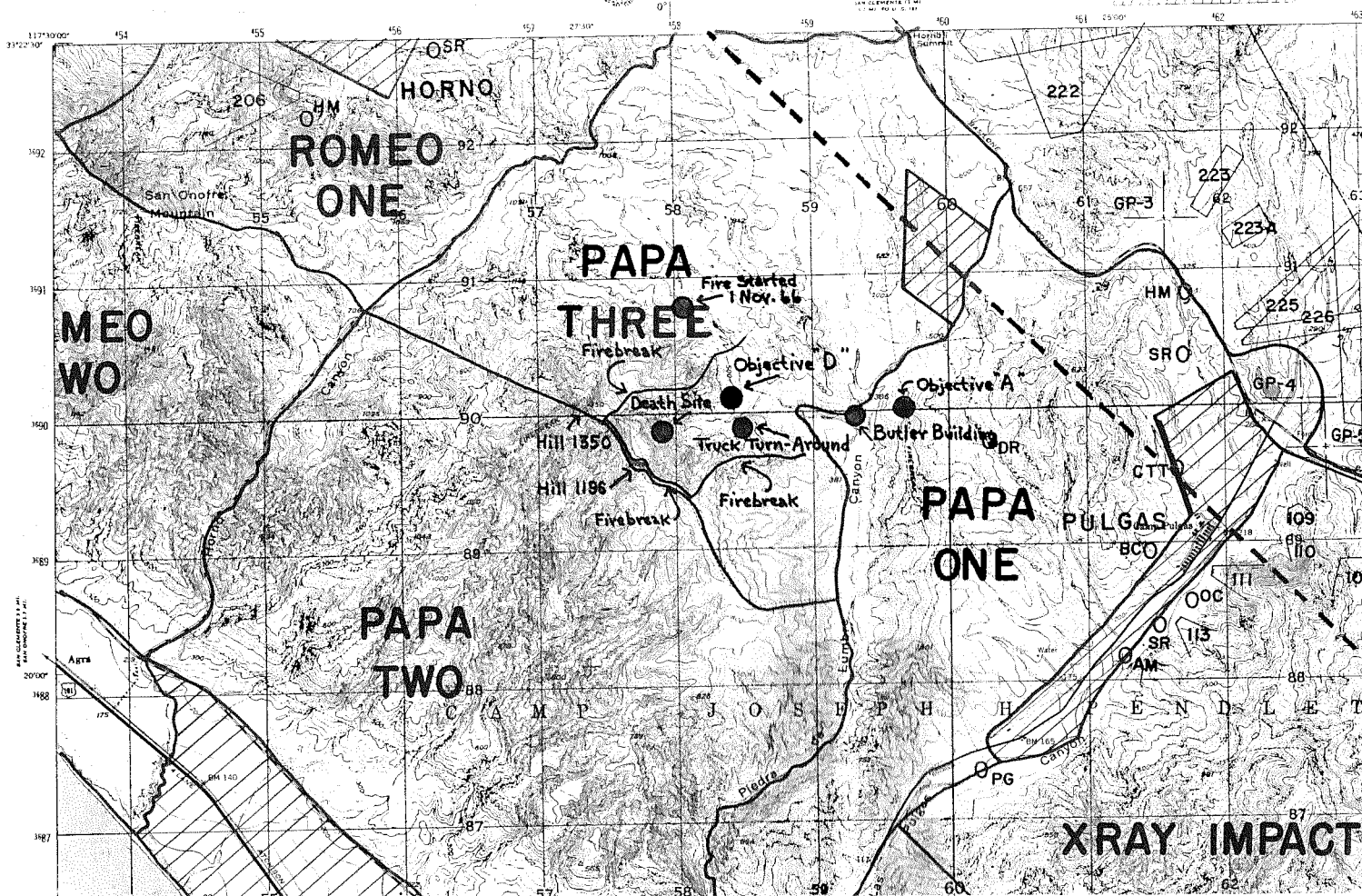
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Action section complete and return to Base Adjutant

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INITIALS OF COGNIZANT OFFICER

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Enclosure (2)
to Memo of 8 Nov 66

MESSAGE
MCBCP-2100/2 (REV. 10-65)

HEADQUARTERS
MARINE CORPS BASE
CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

Information concerning this message may
be obtained by calling 4846.
For communication information, call 4861

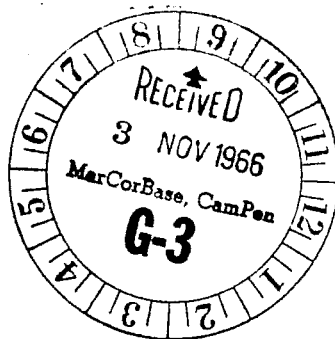
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FM CG MARCORB CAMPEN
TO ZEN/ALL MARCORB CAMPEN UNITS
FIFTH MARDIV
FOURTH MARDIV
NAVWPSTA FALLBROOK
XMT MOUNTWARTRACEN BRIDGEFORT
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UNCLAS
FIRE DANGER RATING

A. BO P3500.1B

1. FROM 020300T NOV 1966 THE FIRE DANGER RATING WILL BE RED UNTIL
FURTHER NOTICE.

BT



	ACT	INFO	INT
G-3		✓	✓
Asst G-3		✓	✓
ADMIN			✓
Opn & Trng		✓	
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CHAPTER 10

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

1000 INFORMATION AND APPLICATION

1. In order to reduce the danger from brush fires and to accomplish maximum training during the dry season, the Commanding General, Marine Corps Base will establish and promulgate fire danger ratings. Fire danger ratings will be applicable to and observed by all organizations and individuals at Camp Pendleton, whether in a training or off-duty status, while utilizing ranges, maneuver areas or impact areas.

1001 RATINGS

1. The following instructions are issued to prevent brush or grass fires:

<u>CLASS OF FIRE DANGER</u>	<u>CAUTION TO BE EXERCISED</u>	<u>NECESSARY PRECAUTIONS</u>
BLUE 0-12	Use normal caution	Any type of ammunition may be used. Smoking is permitted.
GREEN 13-24	Use normal caution. Fires will start easily.	Any type of ammunition may be used with care. Smoking is permitted.
YELLOW 25-33	Use extra caution. Fires will start very easily.	Yellow is the beginning of the high danger period. Any type of ammunition may be used. It is recommended that incendiaries, flame throwers, demolitions and pyrotechnics be fired on cleared areas or areas previously burned off for that purpose. However the decision regarding the type of firing to be conducted rests with organizational commander.
ORANGE 34-43	Use extreme caution. Fires are very hard to control.	The decisions regarding the type of firing to be conducted, and the ranges and areas considered safe for use, rests with the commanders of the using organization. <u>Extreme</u>

BO P3500.1B
30 Jan 1963

CLASS OF
FIRE DANGER

CAUTION TO BE EXERCISED

NECESSARY PRECAUTIONS

RED
44-100

Flash conditions. This is the highest class of fire danger. Fires started in this danger class are practically impossible to extinguish. They usually continue until danger rating conditions improve or they burn themselves out.

caution must be exercised at all times. Firing will be permitted at all times on all rifle, pistol, transition and infiltration ranges unless otherwise directed by Headquarters, Marine Corps Base. Smoking will be supervised and will be permitted only on fire breaks or cleared areas. It is recommended that all firing, including blanks, be restricted to cleared areas or areas previously burned off.

The decisions regarding the type of firing to be conducted and the ranges and areas considered safe for use, rests with the commanders of the using organizations. Extreme caution must be exercised at all times. Firing will be permitted at all times on all rifle, pistol, transition and infiltration ranges unless otherwise directed by the Commanding General, Marine Corps Base. Smoking will be supervised and will be permitted only on fire breaks or cleared areas. It is recommended that all firing, including blanks, be restricted to cleared areas previously burned off.

1002 DISSEMINATION

1. When the fire danger rating is red, priority messages are disseminated daily by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, Marine Corps Base (Base Staff Duty Officer on week-ends and holidays), based on information obtained from the Base Fire Marshal.

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2. Fire danger rating system will be suspended by message during period of negligible fire danger. It will, however, be reinstated at any time that weather conditions demand.

1003 ACTION

1. Any unit conducting training in the field where firing is involved will maintain a rapid and dependable means of communication (radio, telephone, vehicle) with its parent organization. The Officer-in-Charge of firing will allow firing to commence only after ascertaining the fire danger rating in effect and adopting the appropriate fire prevention measures. In addition, during the conduct of firing problems, organizations shall notify the Officer-in-Charge of firing of any change in the fire danger rating.

2. In the event of a brush fire on any range, impact or maneuver area, the Officer-in-Charge will immediately notify the Base Fire Marshal or his representative by the most expeditious means possible, stating the exact location and extent of the fire. The Fire Marshal or his representative will then instruct the Officer-in-Charge of the action to take prior to the arrival of the Fire Department. The Officer-in-Charge will remain in the area with his unit subject to the orders of the Base Fire Marshal. Due to the possibility of duds, under no circumstances will anyone enter an impact area to fight fire.

3. Fires will not be started on any range or in any maneuver area, except when authorized for warmth and cooking by the Commander of an organization in bivouac. Such fires will be carefully extinguished prior to leaving the area.

4. Controlled burning may be done only under supervision of the Base Fire Marshal. Requests for controlled burning should be made to the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4, Marine Corps Base.

5. Base Order 11320.9 governs the fighting of brush fires on Camp Pendleton

FIRE REPORT
NAVDOCS 1163 (REV. 7-64)
010-800-3102

COPY

REPORT BUDOCKS 11320-1

DISTRICT REPORT NO.

PROPERTY INVOLVED		6. ACTIVITY CODE	13. DATE OF FIRE
Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, Calif		8270551	01117
ACTIVITY (Name and Location)		MGMT. BUR.	ACT. REPT. NO.
Grass & Brush			15
KIND OF FIRE		BLDG. NO.	OCCUPANCY AND USE
Grass & Brush			
DIMENSION OF BLDG. (feet)		LENGTH	WIDTH
EXTERIOR WALL CONSTR.		FLOOR CONSTRUCTION	INTERIOR FINISH
NO. OF STORIES		TOT. FLOOR AREA. ALL FLOORS (Sq. ft.)	ROOF CONSTRUCTION
ROOF COVERING			
BUILDING PROTECTION			
AUTOMATIC SPRINKLERS PROVIDED		OPERATED AT FIRE	
<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES % COVERAGE		<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES	
SPRINKLERS EXTINGUISHED FIRE		TYPE OF SYSTEM	
<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> HELD FIRE IN CHECK		<input type="checkbox"/> DRY <input type="checkbox"/> WET <input type="checkbox"/> DELUGE	
AUTO. FIRE ALARM SYSTEM PROVIDED		NO. HEADS OPERATED	
<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES % COVERAGE		<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES	
TYPE OF SYSTEM		CONNECTED TO FIRE ALARM HDQS.	
<input type="checkbox"/> FIXED TEMP. <input type="checkbox"/> RATE OF RISE <input type="checkbox"/> COMB. <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (Describe)		<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES	
MANUAL ALARM SYSTEM PROVIDED		PERFORMANCE SATISFACTORY	
<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES		<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES	
PORTABLE EXTINGUISHERS OPERATED AT FIRE (Describe No. and Type)		OPERATED SATISFACTORY	
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES	
OTHER SPECIAL EXTINGUISHING SYSTEMS OPERATED AT FIRE (Describe)		OPERATED SATISFACTORY	
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES	

HISTORY OF FIRE

METHOD OF DETECTION: Visually by Forestry Lookout
NOTIFICATION RECEIVED BY: J. G. Jenco, Dispatcher, Fire Station
38. TIME OF ALARM: 0940

ALARM TRANSMITTAL METHOD: ☐ VERBALLY ☐ FIRE ALARM BOX ☐ AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM ☐ SPRINKLER ALARM ☐ FIRE TELEPHONE ☒ COMM. TELEPHONE ☐ OTHER (Explain)
POINT OF ORIGIN (Describe in detail): Grass and brush in Grid 578908
FIRE EXTENDED TO: Approximately 3700 acres of grass and brush
CAUSE OF FIRE: Smoke grenade
CONTRIBUTING FACTORS (Defects in design, failure to comply with recommendations):

NO. AND TYPES OF APPARATUS RESPONDING FROM OUTSIDE SOURCES OR OTHER ACTIVITIES

One U. S. Forestry Borate Plane

EXTENT TO WHICH OUTSIDE AID WAS EMPLOYED (Apparatus, hoselines, personnel, etc.):

Plane made one air drop

NO. AND TYPES OF STATION APPARATUS RESPONDING: Four Brush Trucks, One 500 GPM Brush Structural, Four Bulldozers, Four Radio Scouts, One Radio Pickup, One Radio Station Wagon

METHOD BY WHICH FIRE WAS EXTINGUISHED: Water from booster tanks, Hand Tools and bulldozers

TIME FIRE SECURED
1800
3 Nov 1966

DAMAGE TO GOVERNMENT PROPERTY

ITEM	BUILDING	CONTENTS	OTHER	TOTAL
VALUE	\$	\$	\$	\$
DAMAGE	49 \$	56 \$	63 \$	\$
DAMAGE OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT				
\$ No				
70				
71				
72				
73				
74				
75				
76				
77				
78				
79				
80				

NO. OF PERSONS INJURED			NO. OF PERSONS KILLED		
DIRECT	INDIRECT	TOTAL	DIRECT	INDIRECT	TOTAL
71	73	02	75	76	04
02	02		04	04	

AMOUNT OF CONTINGENT LOSS (Explain): No

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CONTROL							
NO. OF STATION FIRE FIGHTERS	CIVILIAN	MILITARY	AUXILIARY	NO. OF HYDRANTS USED	WATER USED (Gals.)	PRESSURE DURING FIRE	NORMAL STATION PRESSURE
ON DUTY	50			WATER FROM OTHER SOURCES			
ON CALL				Approximately 11,000 gallons of water from booster tanks			
RESPONDING	17						
HOSE LINES AND NOZZLES				SALVAGE AND OVERHAUL OPERATIONS (Describe briefly)			
SIZE	NO. OF LINES	LENGTH	DIA. NOZZLE TIP				
BOOSTER	5	1,000	3/16				
1 1/2"							
2 1/2"							
OTHER							

DELAY IN ALARM TRANSMISSION, RESPONSE, OR DEFICIENCIES IN WATER, ALARM OR OTHER FIRE PROTECTION EQUIPMENT OR SYSTEMS

BRIEF STORY OF FIRE (Include all important details; attach sketch of area and operations if applicable. Use additional sheets if necessary.)

At 0940 on 1 November 1966, an alarm was received reporting a brush fire at Grid 578908.

Engine Companies #1, 5, 8, and 9 responded. Upon arrival the fire was found to be spreading rapidly to the south and west toward Horno Canyon. With the fire being reported out of control, the Assistant Fire Chief, a Brush Structural and Engine Company #10 responded.

Two bulldozers were requested and utilized. The fire spread rapidly across Horno Canyon, endangering Range 215, a highly valued training range. All efforts were concentrated in saving the range. One U. S. Forestry Service plane made a borate air drop. 100 military personnel with hand tools were utilized. The terrain was steep and rough and had to be worked in daylight hours only. From 2200 hours, three Brush Trucks patrolled the fire until daylight, when fire fighters with military personnel started extinguishing and cold trailing the fire line around Range 215.

At 0730, 2 November, "B" Platoon was relieved by "A" Platoon. Part of "B" Platoon remained to assist.

Three Brush Trucks, four bulldozers, one Brush Structural, and 250 military personnel with hand tools were used to contain the fire. The fire was contained at 1600 on 2 November and mop-up continued until 1800 on 3 November 1966.

Four military personnel lost their lives and one was critically injured (burned) while fighting fire in Grid Quadrant 5789. One civilian fire fighter received minor injuries.

Units were back in service as they could be released, and final unit secured at 1800 on 3 November.

COPIES TO: COM 11 (2); CMC (2); NavFac (1); CG, MCB, CP (1)

RECOMMENDATIONS (Include action taken to prevent similar occurrences)

ACTIVITY (Name and Location)		USMC		8270551		01117	
Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, Calif						ACT. REPT. NO. 15	
KIND OF FIRE		BLDG. NO.	OCCUPANCY AND USE		TOT. FLOOR AREA, ALL FLOORS (Sq. ft.)		
Grass & Brush							
DIMENSION OF BLDG. (feet)		LENGTH	WIDTH	HEIGHT	NO. OF STORIES	ROOF COVERING	
EXTERIOR WALL CONSTR.		FLOOR CONSTRUCTION		INTERIOR FINISH		ROOF CONSTRUCTION	
BUILDING PROTECTION							
AUTOMATIC SPRINKLERS PROVIDED		OPERATED AT FIRE		TYPE OF SYSTEM		CONN. TO F.A. HDQS.	
<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES % COVERAGE		<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES		<input type="checkbox"/> DRY <input type="checkbox"/> WET <input type="checkbox"/> DELUGE		<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES	
SPRINKLERS EXTINGUISHED FIRE		NO. HEADS OPERATED		PERFORMANCE SATISFACTORY			
<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> HELD FIRE IN CHECK				<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES			
AUTO. FIRE ALARM SYSTEM PROVIDED		OPERATED AT FIRE		CONNECTED TO FIRE ALARM HDQS.		PERFORMANCE SATISFACTORY	
<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES % COVERAGE		<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES		<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES		<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES	
TYPE OF SYSTEM		CONNECTED TO FIRE ALARM HDQS.		OPERATED AT FIRE		PERFORMANCE SATISFACTORY	
<input type="checkbox"/> FIXED TEMP. <input type="checkbox"/> RATE OF RISE <input type="checkbox"/> COMB. <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (Describe)		<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES		<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES		<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES	
MANUAL ALARM SYSTEM PROVIDED		OPERATED AT FIRE		CONNECTED TO FIRE ALARM HDQS.		PERFORMANCE SATISFACTORY	
<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES		<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES		<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES		<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES	
PORTABLE EXTINGUISHERS OPERATED AT FIRE (Describe No. and Type)		OPERATED SATISFACTORY		OPERATED SATISFACTORY			
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES		<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES			
OTHER SPECIAL EXTINGUISHING SYSTEMS OPERATED AT FIRE (Describe)		OPERATED SATISFACTORY		OPERATED SATISFACTORY			
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES		<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES			
HISTORY OF FIRE						38. TIME OF ALARM	
METHOD OF DETECTION		NOTIFICATION RECEIVED BY					
		OTHER (Explain)				42	

fire line around Range 215.

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RECOMMENDATIONS (Include action taken to prevent similar occurrences)

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Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, Calif		Bldg. No.		OCCUPANCY AND USE		ACT. REPT. NO.	
Grass & Brush		15					
KIND OF FIRE		Bldg. No.		OCCUPANCY AND USE		ACT. REPT. NO.	
Grass & Brush		15					
DIMENSION OF BLDG. (feet)		LENGTH		WIDTH		HEIGHT	
Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush	
EXTERIOR WALL CONSTR.		FLOOR CONSTRUCTION		INTERIOR FINISH		ROOF CONSTRUCTION	
Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush	
BUILDING PROTECTION		AUTOMATIC SPRINKLERS PROVIDED		OPERATED AT FIRE		TYPE OF SYSTEM	
Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush	
SPRINKLERS EXTINGUISHED FIRE		NO. HEADS OPERATED		PERFORMANCE SATISFACTORY		CONN. TO F.A. HDQS.	
Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush	
AUTO. FIRE ALARM SYSTEM PROVIDED		OPERATED AT FIRE		CONNECTED TO FIRE ALARM HDQS.		PERFORMANCE SATISFACTORY	
Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush	
TYPE OF SYSTEM		MANUAL ALARM SYSTEM PROVIDED		CONNECTED TO FIRE ALARM HDQS.		OPERATED AT FIRE	
Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush	
PORTABLE EXTINGUISHERS OPERATED AT FIRE (Describe No. and Type)		OTHER SPECIAL EXTINGUISHING SYSTEMS OPERATED AT FIRE (Describe)		PERFORMANCE SATISFACTORY		OPERATED SATISFACTORY	
Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush	
HISTORY OF FIRE		METHOD OF DETECTION		NOTIFICATION RECEIVED BY		38. TIME OF ALARM	
Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush	
ALARM TRANSMITTAL METHOD		POINT OF ORIGIN (Describe in detail)		FIRE EXTENDED TO		CAUSE OF FIRE	
Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush	
CONTRIBUTING FACTORS (Defects in design, failure to comply with recommendations)		NO. AND TYPES OF APPARATUS RESPONDING FROM OUTSIDE SOURCES OR OTHER ACTIVITIES		EXTENT TO WHICH OUTSIDE AID WAS EMPLOYED (Apparatus, hoselines, personnel, etc.)		NO. AND TYPES OF STATION APPARATUS RESPONDING	
Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush	
METHOD BY WHICH FIRE WAS EXTINGUISHED		TIME FIRE SECURED		DAMAGE TO GOVERNMENT PROPERTY		DAMAGE OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT	
Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush	
NO. OF PERSONS INJURED		NO. OF PERSONS KILLED		AMOUNT OF CONTINGENT LOSS (Explain)		70	
Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush		Grass & Brush	
71		73		75		76	
01		01		05		05	

CONTROL							
NO. OF STATION FIRE FIGHTERS	CIVILIAN	MILITARY	AUXILIARY	NO. OF HYDRANTS USED	WATER USED (Gals.)	PRESSURE DURING FIRE	NORMAL STATION PRESSURE
ON DUTY				WATER FROM OTHER SOURCES			
ON CALL							
RESPONDING							
HOSE LINES AND NOZZLES				SALVAGE AND OVERHAUL OPERATIONS (Describe briefly)			
SIZE	NO. OF LINES	LENGTH	DIA. NOZZLE TIP				
BOOSTER							
1 1/2"							
2 1/2"							
OTHER							

DELAY IN ALARM TRANSMISSION, RESPONSE, OR DEFICIENCIES IN WATER, ALARM OR OTHER FIRE PROTECTION EQUIPMENT OR SYSTEMS

BRIEF STORY OF FIRE (Include all important details; attach sketch of area and operations if applicable. Use additional sheets if necessary.)

Change number of persons killed to five and injured to one, as the critically injured Marine died 5 Nov. 1966

COPIES TO: COM 11 (2); CMC (1); NavFac (1); CG,MCB,CP (1)

RECOMMENDATIONS (Include action taken to prevent similar occurrences)

RESCUE REPORT

SPECIAL HANDLING REQUIRED IN ACCORDANCE WITH OPNAVINST P3750.6E
INSTRUCTIONS: SEE REVERSE

OPNAV FORM 3750-13 (3-63)

OPNAV REPORT SYMBOL 3750-14

1. FROM CO VMO-3		2. DATE OF MISHAP 2 NOV 66	2A. DATE OF RESCUE 2 NOV 66
3. LOCATION AND DUTIES OF RESCUE VEHICLE MCALF CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA		4. RESCUE VEHICLE (Type/model) UH-1E	
5. NUMBER OF PERSONNEL 4	5A. IN RESCUE VEHICLE OR ON RESCUE TEAM 4	5B. TO BE RESCUED 1	5C. RESCUED 1
		6. RESCUE BACK UP MEANS AMBULANCE	
7. TIME SEQUENCE OF EVENTS (Local Date Time Group)		8. WEATHER CONDITIONS AT RESCUE SITE	
7A. Alert Received Method 0935 TELEPHONE	8A. WATER TEMPERATURE N/A °F		
7B. Vehicle Departed Distance to Scene 0945 8 MI	AIR TEMPERATURE 34°0 °F		
7C. Arrived on Scene Search Required 0955 2 MIN	WIND VELOCITY 0		
7D. Located Survivor Method of Locating 0957 VISUAL	8B. SEA STATE/WAVE HEIGHT/FREQUENCY, TERRAIN DESCRIPTION N/A		
7E. Began Retrieval What Was Sighted First 1000 PERSONNEL ON GROUND	9. EQUIPMENTS ACTUALLY USED DURING RESCUE NONE		
7F. Ended Retrieval Subsequently 1015			
7G. Survivor(s) Disembarked Location (If different from Item 3) 1020 US NAVAL HOSPITAL, CAMP PEN			
10. DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED (List all difficulties and effect on final outcome of rescue attempt, i.e., ALERTING PERIOD, SEARCH/LOCATING, RETRIEVING, POST-RETRIEVAL) SMOKE AND FIRE IN AREA, VICTIM HAD TO BE CARRIED ABOUT 200 YDS TO A/C			

11. PERSONNEL REQUIRING RESCUE NAME—LAST FIRST INITIAL	GIVE REASON FOR RESCUE	FACTORS COMPLICATING RESCUE ATTEMPT Physical condition, ignorance of equipment, seastate, etc.
TERRAZES, HENRY PFC	SEVERE BURNS	NONE

12. REMARKS: (Training of rescue team or crews, communication equipments/technique, retrieval equipments/techniques, rescue vehicle)

HOSPITAL WAS INFORMED AT 0945, BUT NO ETA WAS GIVEN AT THIS TIME.
A/C CALLED TOWER AT 1013 WITH ETA AT HOSPITAL OF 1016. A/C
ARRIVED AT HOSPITAL AT 1016, SPRINKLER WAS ON IN LZ, NO ONE THERE
TO MEET A/C.

CORPMAN HM3
Pilot: CAPT USMC, Copilot: ()
CC: CPL USMC

A TRUE COPY: ATTEST
[Signature]
Major USMC 055311
2Lt USMC

13. ATTACH ENCLOSURES: Narratives of search, location and retrieving—Survivor's statements	
14. NAME AND TITLE OF SUBMITTING OFFICIAL K. W. TOWNSEND MAJOR COMMANDING	SIGNATURE OF SUBMITTING OFFICIAL
15. NAME AND TITLE OF FORWARDING OFFICIAL	SIGNATURE OF FORWARDING OFFICIAL

ENCLOSURE (23)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Chief of Staff

CG	
CS	<i>glt</i>
SS	<i>LC</i>

DATE: 3 November 1966

FROM : Provost Marshal

SUBJECT: Death of four (4) Marines fighting a fire aboard Camp Pendleton;
information concerning

Encl : (1) Diagram of the death scene

1. At 1225, 2 November 1966, a report was received from Fire Chief Camp Pendleton Fire Department, indicating that three (3) bodies were discovered in the fire area near Pulgas Lake. Criminal Investigators and immediately responded to the scene, arriving at 1300. They immediately contacted Fire Captains and , then called for a coroner or representative from the U.S. Naval Hospital. They contacted Captain , 067076, USMC, Officer-in-Charge, Field Training Section, Staging Battalion, at the Fire Department Command Post at Pulgas Lake, and obtained the names of three (3) Marines that were missing from the detail that had been sent to assist the Fire Department in fighting the fire. The names received were as follows: LCpl ZARBACK, CONNOR, and HOWSHOE, from Unit #4004, Staging Battalion. This was all the information that was available at that time.

2. At 1415, CW04 427177, USN, Base Medical Department, arrived at the Fire Department Command Post, along with an ambulance and three (3) corpsmen. Investigators and , along with CW04 , the three (3) corpsmen, a sixteen (16) man working party, and Fire Captain proceeded to the area where the bodies were located, which was approximately one (1) mile north-northwest of the Command Post. About 300 to 350 yards from the scene, they were forced to park the ambulance and proceed on foot. Prior to any personnel entering the area where the bodies were located, Cpl 2106908, USMC, Base Photo Lab, took photographs of the entire area.

3. Investigators and , CW04 Fire Inspector and , and Fire Chief , then checked the dog tag of one HENDRIX, L. W., 2215749. This body was then photographed at all angles and positions and then removed to the ambulance area. The above listed personnel then checked the dog tag of ZORBOK, R. L., 2162902, and photographs were taken from all angles prior to the body being removed to the ambulance area. The above listed personnel then checked the dog tag of CONNOR, L. W., 2233424. Photographs were taken from all angles and the body was removed to the ambulance area. Photographs were then taken of tools that were laying in the immediate area of the bodies and a check was made of the surrounding area for any evidence which might indicate that the bodies had slipped from a different location. At this time another body was discovered, which was approximately 50 feet on the reverse slope from where CONNOR's was found. This body

ENCLOSURE (2)

was photographed at several different angles and the dog tag was checked by Investigators [redacted] and CWO4 [redacted], and Fire Captain [redacted]. The dog tag indicated that the person was HANSHEW, C. J., 2197343. The body was then removed to the ambulance area, and a complete search of the surrounding area was made for more bodies, with negative results.

4. Upon their return to the ambulance area, CWO4 [redacted] took charge of loading the bodies into the ambulance. They were then transported to the U.S. Naval Hospital where they were pronounced Dead on Arrival at 1606, 2 November 1966.

5. A diagram of the death scene is submitted as enclosure (1).

6. It was determined from Fire Chief [redacted] that a Marine had been evacuated to the U.S. Naval Hospital by helicopter at 0937, 2 November 1966, in serious condition. The injured was a Pvt. TRIANZAS, H. J., who had been assigned to the same working party as the above victims.

J. E. Gorman
J. E. GORMAN

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HENDRIX

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DEATH CERTIFICATES OF U. S. MARINES
KILLED AS A RESULT OF BURNS RECEIVED ON 2 NOVEMBER 1966
WHILE PARTICIPATING IN A FIRE FIGHTING DETAIL
AT THE PAPA 3 TRAINING AREA
MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

ATTACHED:

- TAB A LANCE CORPORAL ROGER LEE ZARBOX
- TAB B PRIVATE FIRST CLASS LESLIE WADE HENDRIX
- TAB C PRIVATE LEWIS WAYNE CONNOR
- TAB D PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CECIL JAMES HANSHEW
- TAB E PRIVATE FIRST CLASS HENRY TERRAZAS

ENCLOSURE (25)

STATE
FILE

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

LOCAL REGISTRATION
DISTRICT AND

NUMBER

STATE OF CALIFORNIA—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

CERTIFICATE NUMBER

1A. NAME OF DECEASED—FIRST NAME

Roger

Lee

1C. LAST NAME

ZABOX

2A. DATE OF DEATH—MONTH, DAY, YEAR

2 Nov 1966 DOA 4:00 P. M.

3. SEX

Male

4. COLOR OR RACE

Caucasian

5. BIRTHPLACE (STATE OR FOREIGN COUNTRY)

Minnesota

6. DATE OF BIRTH

19

7. AGE (LAST BIRTHDAY)

19

IF UNDER 1 YEAR
IF UNDER 24 HOURS
IF UNDER 1 YEAR
IF UNDER 24 HOURS

8. NAME AND BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER

9. MAIDEN NAME AND BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER

10. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY

USA

11. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

DECEDENT
PERSONAL
DATA

12. LAST OCCUPATION

10PL

13. NUMBER OF YEARS IN THIS OCCUPATION

One

14. NAME OF LAST EMPLOYING COMPANY OR FIRM (IF STATE EMPLOYED, SO STATE)

U. S. Marine Corps

15. KIND OF INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS

Military

16. IF DECEASED WAS EVER IN U. S. ARMED FORCES, GIVE WAR OR DATES OF SERVICE

17. WIDOWED, NEVER MARRIED, OR SPECIFY MARIED

18. NAME OF PRESENT SPOUSE

18. PRESENT OR LAST OCCUPATION OF SPOUSE

PLACE
OF
DEATH

19A. PLACE OF DEATH—NAME OF HOSPITAL

DOA U. S. Naval Hospital

19C. CITY OR TOWN

Oceanside

19B. STREET ADDRESS—(GIVE STREET OR RURAL ADDRESS OR LOCATION, DO NOT USE P. O. BOX NUMBERS)

Camp Pendleton

19D. COUNTY

San Diego

19E. LENGTH OF STAY IN COUNTY OF DEATH

One month

19F. LENGTH OF STAY IN CALIFORNIA

One

19G. LENGTH OF STAY IN YEARS

One

20A. LAST USUAL RESIDENCE—STREET ADDRESS (GIVE STREET ADDRESS, CITY, COUNTY, STATE, ZIP CODE)

20B. IF INSIDE CITY CORPORATE LIMITS CHECK HERE

20C. CITY OR TOWN

20D. COUNTY

20E. STATE

20F. ADDRESS OF INFORMANT (IF OTHER THAN SPOUSE)

20G. ADDRESS OF INFORMANT (IF DIFFERENT FROM LAST USUAL RESIDENCE OF DECEASED)

PHYSICIAN'S
OR CORONER'S
CERTIFICATION

22A. PHYSICIAN: I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT DEATH OCCURRED AT THE HOUR, DATE AND PLACE STATED ABOVE, FROM THE CAUSES STATED BELOW AND THAT I ATTENDED THE DECEASED ALIVE ON

22B. CORONER: I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT DEATH OCCURRED AT THE HOUR, DATE AND PLACE STATED ABOVE, FROM THE CAUSES STATED BELOW AND THAT I HAVE HELD AN INVESTIGATION, AUTOPSY, INQUIRY ON THE REMAINS OF DECEASED AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

23. SPECIFY MENTAL ENGAGEMENT OR CREATION

24. DATE

25. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY

26. EMBALMER—SIGNATURE (IF BODY EMBALMED) LICENSE NUMBER

27. NAME OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR (OR PERSON ACTING AS SUCH)

28. DATE ACCEPTED FOR REGISTRATION

29. LOCAL REGISTRAR—SIGNATURE

22C. PHYSICIAN OF CORONER SIGNATURE

22D. ADDRESS

22E. DATE SIGNED

FUNERAL
DIRECTOR
AND
LOCAL
REGISTRAR

30. CAUSE OF DEATH

PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY:

IMMEDIATE CAUSE (A)

CONDITIONS, IF ANY, WHICH OPERATED ABOVE CAUSE (A) STAYING THE UNDERLYING CAUSE LAST

DUE TO (B)

PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART I (A)

ENTER ONLY ONE CAUSE PER LINE FOR (A), (B), AND (C)

Inactivation

Brush fire

Immed.

Approximate interval between onset and death

CAUSE
OF
DEATH

MEDICAL AND HEALTH DATA

OPERATION
AND
AUTOPSY

31. OPERATION—CHECK ONE:

NO OPERATION PERFORMED—☐ OPERATION PERFORMED—☐ DETERMINING ABOVE STATED CAUSES OF DEATH

32. DATE OF OPERATION

33. AUTOPSY—CHECK ONE:

NO AUTOPSY PERFORMED—☐ AUTOPSY PERFORMED—☐ DETERMINING ABOVE STATED CAUSES OF DEATH

34. SPECIFY ACCIDENT, SUICIDE OR HOMICIDE

35A. TIME OF INJURY

35B. INJURY OCCURRED

35C. PLACE OF INJURY

35D. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION

35E. COUNTY

35F. STATE

35G. ZIP CODE

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35I. COUNTY

35J. STATE

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LOCAL REGISTRATION
DISTRICT AND

CERTIFICATE NUMBER

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STATE FILE		CERTIFICATE OF DEATH STATE OF CALIFORNIA—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH										LOCAL REGISTRATION DISTRICT AND	
NUMBER		1A. NAME OF DECEASED—FIRST NAME Cecil		1B. MIDDLE NAME James		1C. LAST NAME HANSHAW		2A. DATE OF DEATH—MONTH, DAY, YEAR 2 Nov 1966		2B. HOUR 4:00 P			
3. SEX Male		4. COLOR OR RACE Caucasian		5. BIRTHPLACE (STATE OR FOREIGN COUNTRY) Idaho		6. DATE OF BIRTH		7. AGE (LAST BIRTHDAY) 20 YEARS		IF UNDER 1 YEAR MONTHS DAY HOURS MINUTES IF UNDER 24 HOURS HOURS MINUTES			
8. NAME AND BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER		9. MAIDEN NAME AND BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER		10. CITIZEN OF "AT COUNTRY USA		11. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER		15. KIND OF INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS Military		18. PRESENT OR LAST OCCUPATION Spouse			
12. LAST OCCUPATION PVT		13. NUMBER OF YEARS IN THIS OCCUPATION 11 months		14. NAME OF LAST EMPLOYING COMPANY OR FIRM U. S. Marine Corps		16. IF DECEASED WAS EVER IN U. S. ARMED FORCES, GIVE WAR OR DATES OF SERVICE 11-12-65 to death		17. SPECIFY MARRIED NEVER MARRIED WIDOWED DIVORCED Never married		18. PRESENT OR LAST OCCUPATION Spouse			
19A. PLACE OF DEATH—NAME OF HOSPITAL DDA U. S. Naval Hospital		19B. STREET ADDRESS—GIVE STREET OR RURAL ADDRESS OR LOCATION. DO NOT USE P. O. BOX NUMBERS. Camp Pendleton		19C. CITY OR TOWN Oceanside		19D. COUNTY San Diego		19E. LENGTH OF STAY IN COUNTY OF DEATH one month YEARS		19F. LENGTH OF STAY IN CALIFORNIA one month YEARS			
20A. LAST USUAL RESIDENCE—STREET ADDRESS. GIVE STREET OR RURAL ADDRESS OR LOCATION. DO NOT USE P. O. BOX NUMBERS. Oceanside		20B. IF INSIDE CITY CORPORATE LIMITS CHECK ONE <input type="checkbox"/> CHECK HERE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ON A FARM <input type="checkbox"/> NOT ON A FARM		20C. CITY OR TOWN Oceanside		20D. COUNTY San Diego		20E. STATE CA		20F. ADDRESS OF INFORMANT Naval Records			
21A. NAME OF INFORMANT (IF OTHER THAN SPOUSE) Naval Records		21B. ADDRESS OF INFORMANT (IF DIFFERENT FROM LAST USUAL RESIDENCE OF DECEASED)		21C. PHYSICIAN OR CORONER—SIGNATURE <i>Shirley Ann</i>		21D. ADDRESS OF INFORMANT (IF DIFFERENT FROM LAST USUAL RESIDENCE OF DECEASED)		21E. ADDRESS OF INFORMANT (IF DIFFERENT FROM LAST USUAL RESIDENCE OF DECEASED)		21F. ADDRESS OF INFORMANT (IF DIFFERENT FROM LAST USUAL RESIDENCE OF DECEASED)			
22A. PHYSICIAN: I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT DEATH OCCURRED AT THE HOUR, DATE AND PLACE STATED ABOVE. FROM THE CAUSES STATED BELOW AND THAT I ATTENDED THE DECEASED FROM Oceanside		22B. CORONER: I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT DEATH OCCURRED AT THE HOUR, DATE AND PLACE STATED ABOVE. FROM THE CAUSES STATED BELOW AND THAT I HAVE HELD AN INVESTIGATION, AUTOPSY, INQUEST OR EXAMINATION Oceanside		22C. PHYSICIAN OR CORONER—SIGNATURE <i>Shirley Ann</i>		22D. ADDRESS U. S. Naval Hospital, Camp Pendleton, Calif.		22E. DATE SIGNED 3 Nov 1966		22F. DEGREE OR TITLE			
23. SPECIFY BURIAL, ENTOMBMENT OR CREMATION 24. DATE		24. DATE		25. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY		26. EMBALMER—SIGNATURE (IF BODY EMBALMED) LICENSE NUMBER		27. NAME OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR (ON PERSON ACTING AS SUCH)		28. DATE ACCEPTED FOR REGISTRATION BY LOCAL REGISTRAR			
29. LOCAL REGISTRAR—SIGNATURE		30. CAUSE OF DEATH PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY: IMMEDIATE CAUSE (A) Inclination CONDITIONS, IF ANY, WHICH GAVE RISE TO THE ABOVE CAUSE AND UNDERLYING CAUSE LAST. Brush fire DUE TO (C) PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART I (A)		31. OPERATION—CHECK ONE: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO OPERATION PERFORMED <input type="checkbox"/> OPERATION PERFORMED—GROSS FINDINGS USED IN DETERMINING CAUSE OF DEATH <input type="checkbox"/> OPERATION PERFORMED—GROSS FINDINGS NOT USED IN DETERMINING CAUSE OF DEATH		32. DATE OF OPERATION		33. AUTOPSY—CHECK ONE: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO AUTOPSY PERFORMED <input type="checkbox"/> AUTOPSY PERFORMED—GROSS FINDINGS USED IN DETERMINING CAUSE OF DEATH <input type="checkbox"/> AUTOPSY PERFORMED—GROSS FINDINGS NOT USED IN DETERMINING CAUSE OF DEATH		34. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED (GIVE SEQUENCE OF EVENTS WHICH RESULTED IN INJURY. NATURE OF INJURY SHOULD BE ENTERED IN PART I OR PART II OF ITEM 30) Injured in flames, fighting severe brush fire			
35A. TIME OF INJURY 3:10 P M		35B. INJURY OCCURRED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WHILE AT WORK <input type="checkbox"/> NOT WHILE AT WORK		35C. PLACE OF INJURY Oceanside		35D. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION San Diego Calif.		35E. COUNTY San Diego		35F. STATE Calif.			

Tab D to ENCLOSURE (25)

STATE
FILE

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

LOCAL REGISTRATION
DISTRICT AND

STATE OF CALIFORNIA—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

CERTIFICATE NUMBER

1a. NAME OF DECEASED—FIRST NAME
Henry

1b. MIDDLE NAME

1c. LAST NAME
Tarras

2a. DATE OF DEATH—MONTH, DAY, YEAR
5 Nov 1966

2b. HOUR
3:40 A.M.

3. SEX
Male

4. COLOR OR RACE
Caucasian

5. BIRTHPLACE (STATE OR FOREIGN COUNTRY)
Texas

7. AGE (LAST BIRTHDAY)
20 YEARS

IF UNDER 1 YEAR
MONTHS DAYS

IF UNDER 24 HOURS
HOURS MINUTES SECONDS

8. NAME AND BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER

9. MAIDEN NAME AND BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER

10. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY
USA

11. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

12. LAST OCCUPATION
PFC

13. NUMBER OF YEARS IN THIS OCCUPATION
7 months

14. NAME OF LAST EMPLOYING COMPANY OR FIRM (IF SELF-EMPLOYED, CHECK ONE)
U. S. Marine Corps

15. KIND OF INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS
Military

16. IF DECEASED WAS EVER IN U. S. ARMED FORCES, GIVE WAR OR DATES OF SERVICE
2-8-66 to death

17. SPECIFY MARRIED, NEVER MARRIED, WIDOWED, DIVORCED
Never married

18a. NAME OF PRESENT SPOUSE

18b. PRESENT OR LAST OCCUPATION OF SPOUSE

PLACE OF DEATH

19a. PLACE OF DEATH—NAME OF HOSPITAL
U. S. Naval Hospital

19b. STREET ADDRESS—(GIVE STREET OR RURAL ADDRESS OR LOCATION. DO NOT USE P. O. BOX NUMBERS)
Camp Pendleton

19c. CITY OR TOWN
San Diego

19d. COUNTY
San Diego

19e. LENGTH OF STAY IN COUNTY OF DEATH
7 months YEARS

19f. LENGTH OF STAY IN CALIFORNIA
7 months YEARS

LAST USUAL RESIDENCE (WHERE DID DECEASED LIVE—IF IN INSTITUTION ENTER RESIDENCE BEFORE ADMISSION)

20a. LAST USUAL RESIDENCE—STREET ADDRESS (GIVE STREET OR RURAL ADDRESS OR LOCATION. DO NOT USE P. O. BOX NUMBERS)
Oceanside

20b. IF INSIDE CITY CORPORATE LIMITS CHECK ONE
☐ CHECK HERE ☒ ON A FARM

20c. CITY OR TOWN
Oceanside

20d. COUNTY
San Diego

20e. STATE
California

PHYSICIAN'S OR CORONER'S CERTIFICATION

22a. PHYSICIAN: I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT DEATH OCCURRED AT THE HOUR, DATE AND ABOVE, FROM THE CAUSES STATED BELOW AND THAT I ATTENDED THE DECEASED FROM TO. AND THAT I LAST SAW THE DECEASED ALIVE ON. I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE CAUSES STATED BELOW AND THAT I HAVE FIELD. 22b. CORONER: ABOVE FROM THE CAUSES STATED BELOW AND THAT I HAVE FIELD. 22c. PHYSICIAN OR CORONER—SIGNATURE
DR. B. T. M. D.

22d. ADDRESS
U. S. NAVAL HOSPITAL CAMP PENDLETON, CALIF.

22e. DATE SIGNED
7 Nov 1966

FUNERAL DIRECTOR AND LOCAL REGISTRAR

23. SPECIFY BURIAL, CREMATION, OR OTHER TREATMENT
24. DATE

25. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY

26. EMBALMER—SIGNATURE (IF BODY EMBALMED) LICENSE NUMBER

27. NAME OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR (OR PERSON ACTING AS SUCH)

28. DATE ACCEPTED FOR REGISTRATION BY LOCAL REGISTRAR

29. LOCAL REGISTRAR—SIGNATURE

CAUSE OF DEATH

30. CAUSE OF DEATH
PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY: IMMEDIATE CAUSE (A) **Third degree burns.** body surface with respiratory complications
CONDITIONS, IF ANY, WHICH PRECEDED ABOVE CAUSE (A) STATING THE UNDERLYING CAUSE LAST DUE TO (C) **Brush fire**

31. OPERATION—CHECK ONE: OPERATION PERFORMED—☒ NO OPERATION ☐ OPERATION DETERMINING ABOVE STATED CAUSES OF DEATH

32. DATE OF OPERATION

33. AUTOPSY—CHECK ONE: AUTOPSY PERFORMED—☒ NO AUTOPSY ☐ AUTOPSY DETERMINING ABOVE STATED CAUSES OF DEATH

34. SPECIFY ACCIDENT, SUICIDE OR HOMICIDE
Accident

35. INJURY INFORMATION

36. INJURY OCCURRED
☒ WHILE AT WORK ☐ NOT WHILE AT WORK

37. PLACE OF INJURY (E.G., IN OR ABOUT HOME, FARM, FACTORY, STREET, OFFICE BUILDING)
PAPA 3 Acres Las Pulgas Mts Camp Pendleton, Calif.

38. CITY, TOWN OR LOCATION
San Diego California

39. COUNTY
San Diego California

40. STATE
California

41. ZIP CODE
92161

42. TIME OF INJURY
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EXTRACTS FROM MEDICAL OFFICER OF THE DAY'S LOG, U. S. NAVAL
HOSPITAL, CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

Wednesday 2 November 1966

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- 0945 Received call from Cpl. Brown at Air Field Control Tower stating that there is an Air Evacuation in progress. One patient. Diagnoses Possibly Burns. E.T.A. unknown.
- 0946 Transportation and Receiving Ward notified to stand by for Air Evac.
- 1014 Second call from Cpl. Brown at Airfield giving ETA of Air Evac in 2 to 3 minutes.

Helicopter Arrived 1016
Ambulance Arrived 1017
Patient transferred 1018
Ambulance departed 1019
Helicopter departed 1020

Patient identified as Pfc Henry S. TERRAZES
USMC
Staging Btn, CAMPEN
Diagnosis: Burns,

- 1115 TERRAZES, Henry S. Pfc USMC Ward 26 was placed on
PATIENT CRITICAL LIST at 1050 by Dr. . Next of kin to
be notified by Patient Affairs. Chaplains Office
notified by O.O.D.'s desk.
DIAGNOSIS: BURNS

- 1130 D/D USMC Ward Nursery
PATIENT Removed from Serious List at 1030 by Dr. Hamilton. Next
of kin to be notified by Patient Affairs. Chaplains
Office notified by O.O.D.'s desk. DIAGNOSIS: Prematurity

Late , MC, USN
Entry Reported aboard for duty at 1045.
STAFF

- 1200 Noon meal inspected. Satisfactory in all respects.

Certified to be a true extract:

R. M. WARE, CDR MSC USN
Administrative Officer

ENCLOSURE (26)

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EXTRACTS FROM MEDICAL OFFICER OF THE DAY'S LOG, U. S. NAVAL
HOSPITAL, CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

1600 Prisoners at large mustered. No absentees.

1600 Receiving Ward called stating four persons were received from Las Pulgas Lake Area and were pronounced Dead on Arrival by LT. , MC, USN. No identification was made or available at this time.

1630 Four bodies placed in Morgue. Identification is still unknown. Box Temp. 44°.

1659 Evening Colors executed with HONORS.

1730 Evening Meal inspected. Satisfactory in all respects.

1730 Inside and Outside standing lights turned on.

1815 HM3, USN returned from 14 days' annual
Staff leave.

1830 Lt.COL, USMC
Maj., USMC
Maj., USMC
Board of Investigation for the casualties
(see 1600 entry) reported on board.

1930 Prisoners at large mustered. No absentees.

2025 POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION of the four bodies in the Morgue established at this time by LT. DC, USNR and LT DC, USNR by Dental examination and comparison with Dental record. Identity as follows:

LCPL Roger Lee ZARBOK	USMC	2162902
PFC Leslie W. HENDRIX	USMC	2215749
PVT Lewis Wayne CONNOR	USMC	2233424
PVT Cecil James HANSHEW	USMC	2197343

Board of Investigators present during identification.

Error
2025 REF(Initialed)

2030 Maj. N, M.C. Base Personnel Officer notified of identity of deceased Marines. Next of Kin of deceased and Information Services Officer to be notified by MAJ.

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Certified to be a true extract:

Bp
CDR MSC USN
Administrative Officer

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AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE
OF REMAINS

ENCLOSURE (27)

DATE 3 Nov 1966

From: Investigating Officer
To: Commanding Officer, U. S. Naval Hospital,
Camp Pendleton, California

Subj: PVT Cecil James HANSHEW 2197343 USMC

1. Remains of subject named man are hereby released for appropriate disposition.

4.

DATE 3 Nov. 1966

From: Investigating Officer
To: Commanding Officer, U. S. Naval Hospital,
Camp Pendleton, California

Subj: LCPL Roger Lee ZARBOK 2162902 USMC

1. Remains of subject named man are hereby released for appropriate disposition.

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DATE 3 Nov 1966

From: Investigating Officer
To: Commanding Officer, U. S. Naval Hospital,
Camp Pendleton, California

Subj: PFC Leslie Wade HENDRIX, 2215749, USMC

1. Remains of subject named man are hereby released for appropriate disposition.

DATE 3 Nov 1966

From: Investigating Officer
To: Commanding Officer, U. S. Naval Hospital,
Camp Pendleton, California

Subj: PVT Lewis Wayne CONNOR 2233424 USMC

1. Remains of subject named man are hereby released for appropriate disposition.

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DATE 7 Nov 1966

From: Investigating Officer
To: Commanding Officer, U. S. Naval Hospital,
Camp Pendleton, California

Subj: PFC Henry NMI TERRAZAS 2256471 USMC

1. Remains of subject named man are hereby released for appropriate disposition.

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DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE DENTAL EXAMINATION
CONDUCTED ON 2 NOVEMBER 1966 AT THE MORGUE
UNITED STATES NAVAL HOSPITAL
MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

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PRESENT:

MAJOR , 055311, USMC
LIEUTENANT , DC, USNR
LIEUTENANT DC, USN

ATTACHED:

TAB A SWORN STATEMENT OF MAJOR
TAB B STATEMENTS OF LIEUTENANT I
AND LIEUTENANT
TAB C DENTAL CHARTS OF LANCE CORPORAL
ROGER L. ZARBOK
TAB D DENTAL CHARTS OF PRIVATE FIRST CLASS
CECIL JAMES HANSHEW
TAB E DENTAL CHARTS OF PRIVATE LEWIS WAYNE CONNOR
TAB F DENTAL CHARTS OF PRIVATE FIRST CLASS LESLIE
WADE HENDRIX

ENCLOSURE (28)

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SWORN STATEMENT OF MAJOR _____, _____, HEADQUARTERS
COMPANY, HEADQUARTERS BATTALION, HEADQUARTERS REGIMENT, MARINE
CORPS BASE, CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

I am currently assigned additional duties as a member of the three man board investigating the circumstances surrounding the death of the five individuals, due to the disastrous field fire on 1-2 November 1966.

Following the Board's return from Camp Pendleton's PAPA 3 Training Area, where we had toured the fire area and spoken to Major _____ and Captain _____ relative to the appearance of all knowledgeable persons at Lt Colonel Emma's office the following morning, we arrived at the United States Naval Hospital at approximately 1830 2 November 1966.

It was determined by the senior member that we should inquire into the condition of PFC Terrazas and also attempt positive identification of the four corpses. I volunteered to assist the dental officers in their effort while the other members of the board checked on PFC Terrazas. We arrived at the hospital morgue at approximately 1900. It was determined that we would accomplish our task in an unbiased manner. Accordingly, the 2 dentists, (Lieutenant's _____ and _____), prepared a dental chart on each corpse without any effort being made to correlate with any one of the 4 known missing men's dental chart. The actual chart prepared and the permanent dental chart are attached, as Tabs (C) (D) (E) and (F). Following the dental charting of each unknown corpse, a search was made for any identifying items to corroborate the dental identification. Corpse #1 was found to be wearing an identification tag indicating it was that of LCpl Zarbok. It also was found to be wearing a 17 jewel Timex watch. Charting was completed at 1920.

Corpse #2 was found to be wearing an identification tag indicating it was that of PFC Hanshew. A padlock key was also found on the chain. (#AUE-678 Corbin Lock) Charting was completed at 1940.

Corpse #3 was found to be wearing an identification tag indicating it was that of Private Connor. Nothing else of identification was found. Charting was completed at 1957.

Corpse #4 was found to be wearing an identification tag indicating it was that of PFC Hendrix. A tattoo was still visible on the right forearm. This was a bull-dog with hat and the letters USMC. In addition, on the ring finger, left hand was found a school ring with the date 1965 and the letters "L" and "H". Charting was completed at 2007.

We departed the morgue at approximately 2010 and returned to the quarter deck area of the U. S. Naval Hospital. The two dentists then compared the dental charts of the individuals against those just completed. At 2025 2 November 1966 they announced they had made positive identification of the unknown corpses as shown on Tab B.

I swear that the above statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

B6

Major, U. S. Marine Corps

With the United States Armed Forces
At Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton
County of San Diego
State of California

On this, the 4th day of November 1966, before me, the undersigned officer, personally appeared JAMES W. DION, known to me to be serving with or in the armed forces of the United States and to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same. And the undersigned does further certify that he is at the date of this certification, a commissioned officer of the rank stated below and in the armed forces of the United States on active duty.

B6

Lieutenant Colonel, U. S. Marine Corps



U. S. NAVAL HOSPITAL
CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA 92055

IN REPLY REFER TO:
NH71-17-WRE:mts
3 Nov 1966

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Identification was started at 1900 on 2 Nov 1966 by I
LT DC USNR and R. H. LT DC USN on the follow-
ing remains:

Box 1 LCPL Roger Lee ZARBOX 2162902 USMC
Box 2 PVT Cecil James HANSHAW 2197343 USMC
Box 3 PVT Lewis Wayne CONNOR 2233424 USMC
Box 4 PFC Leslie Wade HENDRIX 2215749 USMC

Unbias dental examination was performed and results were
compared with dental charts in health records. Positive
identification was made at 2025 on 2 Nov 1966.

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/ LT DC USNR

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LT DC USN

CONDOLENCE LETTERS
FROM COMMANDING OFFICER
TO NEXT-OF-KIN

TAB A: PRIVATE FIRST CLASS HENRY TERRAZAS
TAB B: LANCE CORPORAL ROGER LEE ZARBOK
TAB C: PRIVATE FIRST CLASS LESLIE WAYNE HENDRIX
TAB D: PRIVATE LEWIS WAYNE CONNOR
TAB E: PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CECIL JAMES HANSHEW

ENCLOSURE (31)

FOURTH REPLACEMENT COMPANY
STAGING BATTALION MARINE CORPS BASE
CAMP PENDLETON, CALIF.

RLB/wrw
5 November 1966

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Terrazas

The death of your son, Private First Class Henry S. Terrazas, U. S. Marine Corps on 5 November 1966 at the Naval Hospital at Camp Pendleton, California is a source of sorrow to me and his friends in the 4th Company. Please accept our deepest sympathy in your bereavement.

Henry was engaged in fighting a brush fire in a rugged area of Camp Pendleton when a sudden change in the wind started a flash-back fire. While escaping from the flames he received critical burns. Henry was immediately evacuated to the Naval Hospital by helicopter where he received the best possible care. Every effort was taken to make him as comfortable as possible.

Henry was a good Marine and always showed enthusiasm in his endeavors. Although I realize that words can do little to console you, I hope the knowledge that your son is keenly missed and that we share your sorrow will in some measure alleviate the suffering caused you by your great loss.

Sincerely yours,

B-6
Captain, U. S. Marine Corps
Commanding

Tab A to ENCLOSURE (31)

FOURTH REPLACEMENT COMPANY
STAGING BATTALION MARINE CORPS BASE
CAMP PENDLETON, CALIF.

RLB/wrw

5 November 1966

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Zarbok

The untimely death of your son, Lance Corporal Roger L. Zarbok, U. S. Marine Corps on 2 November 1966 at Camp Pendleton, California is a source of sorrow to me and his friends in the 4th Company. Please accept our deepest sympathy in your bereavement.

Roger was engaged in fighting a brush fire in a rugged area of Camp Pendleton when a sudden change in the wind started a flash-back fire preventing his escape. Death was instantaneous and he did not suffer.

Roger was a good Marine and always showed enthusiasm in his endeavors. Although I realize that words can do little to console you, I hope the knowledge that your son is keenly missed and that we share your sorrow will in some measure alleviate the suffering caused you by your great loss.

Sincerely yours,

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Captain, U. S. Marine Corps
Commanding

Tab B to ENCLOSURE (31)

FOURTH REPLACEMENT COMPANY
STAGING BATTALION MARINE CORPS BASE
CAMP PENDLETON, CALIF.

RLB/wrw
5 November 1966

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Hendrix,

The untimely death of your son, Private First Class Leslie W. Hendrix, U. S. Marine Corps on 2 November 1966 at Camp Pendleton, California is a source of sorrow to me and his friends in the 4th Company. Please accept our deepest sympathy in your bereavement.

Leslie was engaged in fighting a brush fire in a rugged area of Camp Pendleton when a sudden change in the wind started a flash-back fire preventing his escape. Death was instantaneous and he did not suffer.

Leslie was a good Marine and always showed enthusiasm in his endeavors. Although I realize that words can do little to console you, I hope the knowledge that your son is keenly missed and that we share your sorrow will in some measure alleviate the suffering caused you by your great loss.

Sincerely yours,

B-P

Captain, U. S. Marine Corps
Commanding

Tab C to ENCLOSURE 3/1

FOURTH REPLACEMENT COMPANY
STAGING BATTALION MARINE CORPS BASE
CAMP PENDLETON, CALIF.

RLB/wrw
5 November 1966

Dear Mrs. Hanshew,

The untimely death of your son, Private Cecil J. Hanshew, U. S. Marine Corps on 2 November 1966 at Camp Pendleton, California is a source of sorrow to me and his friends in the 4th Company. Please accept our deepest sympathy in your bereavement.

Cecil was engaged in fighting a brush fire in a rugged area of Camp Pendleton when a sudden change in the wind started a flash-back fire preventing his escape. Death was instantaneous and he did not suffer.

Cecil was a good Marine and always showed enthusiasm in his endeavors. Although I realize that words can do little to console you, I hope the knowledge that your son is keenly missed and that we share your sorrow will in some measure alleviate the suffering caused you by your great loss.

Sincerely yours,

B-6

Captain, U. S. Marine Corps
Commanding

Tab E to ENCLOSURE 30

FOURTH REPLACEMENT COMPANY
STAGING BATTALION MARINE CORPS BASE
CAMP PENDLETON, CALIF.

RLB/wrw
5 November 1966

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Connor,

The untimely death of your son, Private Lewis W. Connor, U. S. Marine Corps on 2 November 1966 at Camp Pendleton, California is a source of sorrow to me and his friends in the 4th Company. Please accept our deepest sympathy in your bereavement.

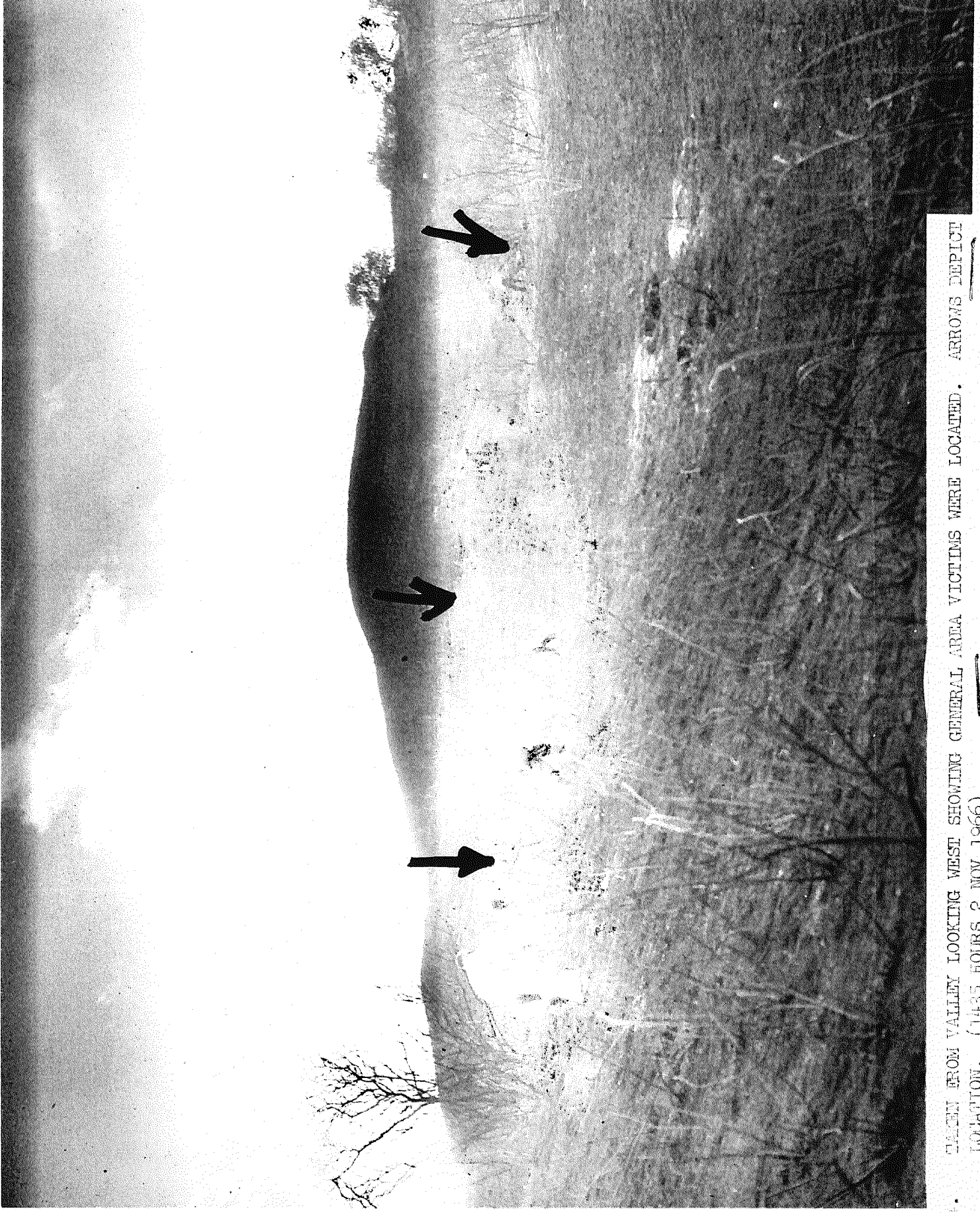
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Lewis was a good Marine and always showed enthusiasm in his endeavors. Although I realize that words can do little to console you, I hope the knowledge that your son is keenly missed and that we share your sorrow will in some measure alleviate the suffering caused you by your great loss.

Sincerely yours,

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Captain, U. S. Marine Corps
Commanding

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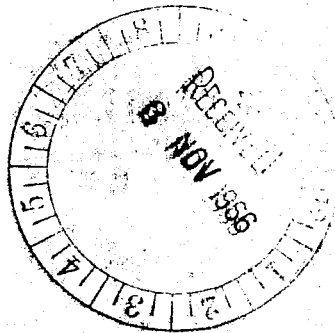
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THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE HAS BEEN SENT TO

WE ARE SORRY TO INFORM YOU THAT PFC HENRY J. TETRAKIS,
B-6, USMC IS PRESENTLY HOSPITALIZED AT THE U.S. NAVAL
HOSPITAL, CAMP PENDLETON CALIFORNIA, AS A RESULT OF BEING INJURED
WHILE A MEMBER OF A FIRE FIGHTING UNIT ENGAGED IN FIGHTING
BRUSH FIRE ON BOARD CAMP PENDLETON.
HE IS IN CRITICAL CONDITION BUT IS DOING AS WELL AS CAN BE EXPECTED.
WE ASSURE YOU THAT B-6 IS RECEIVING THE BEST POSSIBLE CARE
AND TREATMENT. YOU MAY VISIT HIM AT ANY TIME YOU WISH. YOUR
GREAT ANXIETY IS REALIZED AND YOU WILL BE INFORMED PERIODICALLY
CONCERNING HIS PROGRESS AND AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHEN ANY SIGNIFICANT
CHANGE OCCURS. THE STAFF AND I JOIN YOU IN PRAYER FOR HIS SPEEDY
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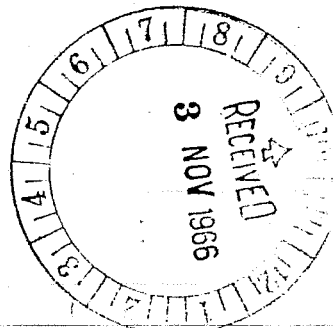
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I DEEPLY REGRET TO INFORM YOU THAT B-6, PRIVATE FIRST CLASS
LESLIE WADE HENDRIX, USMC DIED ON 2 NOVEMBER 1966 AT THE MARINE
BASE, CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA AS A RESULT OF MULTIPLE BURNS
RECEIVED WHILE HE WAS ENGAGED IN FIGHTING A SEVERE BRUSH FIRE.
A TELEGRAM REQUESTING YOUR WISHES CONCERNING DISPOSITION OF
REMAINS AND OTHER DETAILS FOLLOWS. PLEASE ACCEPT ON BEHALF OF
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS AND MYSELF OUR HEARTFELT SYMPATHY IN
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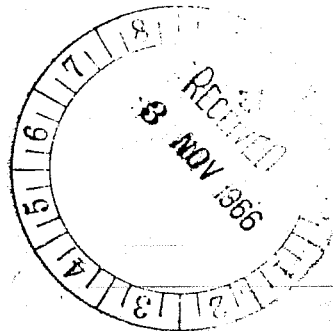
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I DEEPLY REGRET TO INFORM YOU THAT B-6, PRIVATE LUCIL JAMES
HANSHEW, USMC DIED ON 8 NOVEMBER 1966 AT THE MARINE CORPS BASE,
CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA AS A RESULT OF MULTIPLE BURNS RECEIVED
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I DEEPLY REGRET TO INFORM YOU THAT B-6 1, LANCE CORPORAL POOR
LEE ZARBOK, USMC DIED ON 2 NOVEMBER 1966 AT THE MARINE CORPS BASE
CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA AS A RESULT OF MULTIPLE BURNS RECEIVED
WHILE HE WAS ENGAGED IN FIGHTING A SEVERE BRUSH FIRE.
A TELEGRAM REQUESTING YOUR WISHES CONCERNING DISPOSITION OF THE REMAINS
AND OTHER DETAILS FOLLOWS. PLEASE ACCEPT ON BEHALF OF THE UNITED
STATES MARINE CORPS AND MYSELF OUR HEARTFELT SYMPATHY IN YOUR GREAT LOSS.
B-6 MAJOR GENERAL, U. S. MARINE CORPS, COMMANDING

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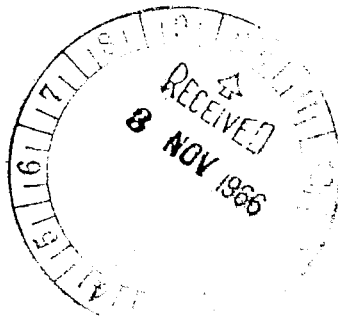
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I DEEPLY REGRET TO INFORM YOU THAT **B-6** PRIVATE LEWIS WAYNE
CONV 8, USMC DIED ON 2 NOVEMBER 1966 AT THE MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP
PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA AS A RESULT OF MULTIPLE BURNS RECEIVED WHILE
HE WAS ENGAGED IN FIGHTING A SEVERE BRUSH FIRE.
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B-6 MAJOR GENERAL, U. S. MARINE CORPS, COMMANDING

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Action section complete and return to Base Adjutant

RESUME OF ACTION TAKEN

INITIALS OF COGNIZANT OFFICER

B. ACQU
C. DEADD. APPROX 0930 2 NOV 68 IN LAS PULGAS LAKE AREA, CAMP PENDLETON
FROM MULTIPLE EXTREME BURNS ENTIRE BODY WHEN FLAMES APPARENTLY
ENGULFED HIM WHILE HE WAS ENGAGED IN FIGHTING A SEVERE BUSH
FIRE. FIRM DETAILS PENDING INVESTIGATION.

E. REMAINS LOCATED AT USNH CAMPEN CALIF

F. B6 (PARENTS) B6

G. OFFICIALLY NOTIFIED:

1. YES, (FIGURE 12-25)

H. 18 MAR 68

I. INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY THIS COMD

J. PAY DATA:

1. PVT E-1

2. \$106.90

3. 7 MOS 15 DAYS

4. B6

5. SAME AS FOR TEST

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6. NO

7. SAME AS FOR TEST

8. \$10,000

9. B6 (MOTHER) B6
B6 NO SETTLEMENT OPTION

K. BAPTIST

L. REQ DIR FOURTH MARIPOSA DIST DESIGNATE UNIT TO MAKE CONDOLENCE
CALL

M. LCPL ROBERT LEE PARSONS, B6 USMC, OADR

PFC LESLIE WARD HENDRIX, B6 USMC, OADR

PVT CECIL JAMES HANSEN, B6 USMC, OADR

PFC HENRY TERRAZAS, B6 1, USMC, CRITICAL

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DRAFTED: BADJ

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RESUME OF ACTION TAKEN

INITIALS OF COGNIZANT OFFICER

B. ACDU

C. DEAD

D. APPROX 0930 2NOV66 IN LAS PULGAS LAKE AREA, CAMP PENDLETON
FROM MULTIPLE EXTREME BURNS ENTIRE BODY WHEN FLAMES APPARENTLY
ENGULFED HIM WHILE HE WAS ENGAGED IN FIGHTING A SEVERE
BRUSH FIRE. FIRE DETAILS PENDING INVESTIGATION.

E. REMAINS LOCATED AT USNH CAMPEN CALIF

F. B6

B6 (PARENTS)

G. OFFICIALLY NOTIFIED:

1. YES (FIGURE 12-25)

H. 5AUG65

I. INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED E THIS COMD

J. PAY DATA:

1. LOPL E-3

2. \$121.80

3. 1 YR 2 MOS 28 DAYS

4. B6

5. SAME AS FOX TROT

6. NC

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7. SAME AS FOX TROT

8. \$10,000

9. B6 (FATHER)

B6 NO SETTLEMENT OPTION

K. LUTHERAN

L. REQ DIR NINTH MARCOR DIST DESIGNATE UNIT TO MAKE CONDOLENCE
CALL

M. PFC LESLIE WADE HENDRIX, B6 USMC, DEAD

PVT CECIL JAMES HANSHEW, B6 USMC, DEAD

PVT LEWIS WAYNE CONNOR, M B6, USMC, DEAD

PFC HENRY TERRAZAS, B6 I, USMC, CRITICAL

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RESUME OF ACTION TAKEN

INITIALS OF COGNIZANT OFFICER

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- C. DEAD
D. APPROX 0930 2NOV66 IN LAS PULGAS LAKE AREA CAMP PENDLETON FROM
MULTIPLE EXTREME BURNS ENTIRE BODY WHEN FLAMES APPARENTLY
ENGULFED HIM WHILE HE WAS ENGAGED IN FIGHTING SEVERE BRUSH
FIRE. FIRM DETAILS PENDING INVESTIGATION.
E. REMAINS LOCATED AT USNG CAMPEN CALIF
F. B-6 BB
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1. YES, (FIGURE 12-25)
H. 3MAR66
I. INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY THIS COMD
J. PAY DATA:
1. PFC E-2
2. \$100.50
3. 9 MOS 27 DAYS
4. BB
5. SAME AS FOX TROT
6. NO
7. SAME AS FOX TROT

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8. \$10,000
9. B-6 BB (FATHER)
LUMP SUM
K. PROTESTANT
L. REG DIR TWELFTH MARCOR DIST DESIGNATE UNIT TO MAKE CONDOLENCE
CALL
M. LCPL ROGER LEE ZARBOX, B-6 USMC, DEAD
PVT CECIL JAMES HANGHEW, B-6 USMC, DEAD
PVT LEWIS WAYNE CONNOR, B-6 USMC, DEAD
PFC HENRY TERRAZAS, B-6 USMC, CRITICAL

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RESUME OF ACTION TAKEN

INITIALS OF COGNIZANT OFFICER

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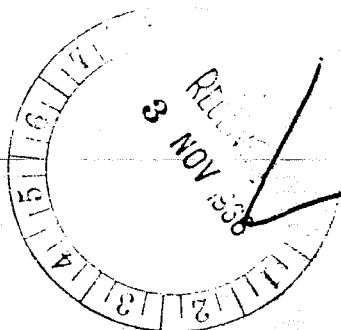
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ARRANGEMENTS FOR B-6 PRIVATE LEWIS WAYNE CONNOR, USMC. HIS
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ACCOMPANIED BY AN ESCORT, EITHER TO A FUNERAL HOME OR TO A NATIONAL
CEMETERY SELECTED BY YOU. IN ADDITION YOU WILL BE REIMBURSED AN
AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS TOWARD FUNERAL AND
INTERMENT EXPENSES IF INTERMENT IS IN A PRIVATE CEMETERY, OR
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TO INTERMENT IN A NATIONAL CEMETERY, OR SEVENTY-FIVE DOLLARS IF
REMAINS ARE CONSIGNED DIRECTLY TO A NATIONAL CEMETERY. PLEASE
COLLECT TO THE COMMANDING GENERAL, MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP PENDLETON,
CALIFORNIA YOUR DESIRES IN THIS RESPECT, INDICATING THE NAME AND
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B-6 DEATH. I WISH TO ASSURE YOU OF EVERY POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE AND
TO EXTEND THE HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES OF THE MARINE CORPS IN YOUR
BEREAVEMENT. B-6
CORPS, COMMANDING.
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ARRANGEMENTS FOR B-6 PRIVATE CECIL JAMES HANSHEW, USMC. HIS
REMAINS WILL BE PREPARED, ENCASED, AND SHIPPED AT NO EXPENSE TO YOU
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CALIFORNIA YOUR DESIRES IN THIS RESPECT, INDICATING THE NAME AND
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WILLAMETTE NATIONAL CEMETERY, PORTLAND, OREGON IS NEAREST YOU.

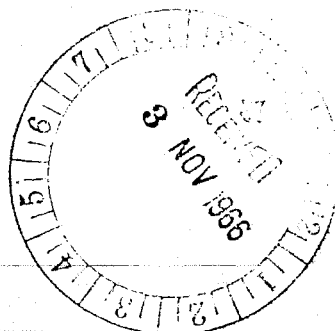
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HOME. LETTER WILL FOLLOW CONCERNING CIRCUMSTANCES OF YOUR
B-6 I WISH TO ASSURE YOU OF EVERY POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE AND
TO EXTEND THE HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES OF THE MARINE CORPS IN YOUR
BEREAVEMENT. B-6
COMMANDING. MAJOR GENERAL, U. S. MARINE CORPS

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DRAFTED BPERS
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Action section complete and return to Base Adjutant

RESUME OF ACTION TAKEN

INITIALS OF COGNIZANT OFFICER

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THIS INFORMATION IS INTENDED TO ASSIST YOU IN MAKING FUNERAL
ARRANGEMENTS FOR ^{B-6} LANCE CORPORAL ROGER LEE ZARBO, USMC. HIS
REMAINS WILL BE PREPARED, ENCASED, AND SHIPPED AT NO EXPENSE TO YOU,
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CEMETERY SELECTED BY YOU. IN ADDITION YOU WILL BE REIMBURSED AN
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REMAINS ARE CONSIGNED DIRECTLY TO A NATIONAL CEMETERY. PLEASE WIRE
COLLECT TO THE COMMANDING GENERAL, MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP PENDLETON,
CALIFORNIA YOUR DESIRES IN THIS RESPECT, INDICATING THE NAME AND
ADDRESS OF THE FUNERAL HOME OR NATIONAL CEMETERY TO WHICH YOU WISH
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FORT SNELLING NATIONAL CEMETERY, SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA, IS NEAREST

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YOUR HOME. LETTER WILL FOLLOW CONCERNING CIRCUMSTANCES OF ^{B-6}
^{B-6} DEATH. I WISH TO ASSURE YOU OF EVERY POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE AND
TO EXTEND THE HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES OF THE MARINE CORPS IN YOUR
BEREAVEMENT. ^{B-6} MAJOR GENERAL, U. S. MARINE
CORPS, COMMANDING.
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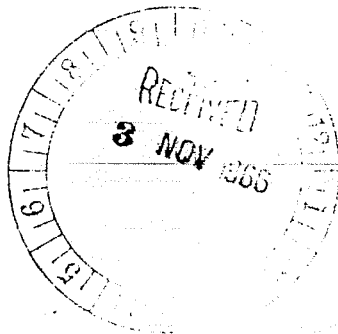
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ARRANGEMENTS FOR **B-6** PRIVATE FIRST CLASS LESLIE WADE HENNING.
USMC. HIS REMAINS WILL BE PREPARED, ENCASED, AND SHIPPED AT NO COST
TO YOU, ACCOMPANIED BY AN ESCORT, EITHER TO A FUNERAL HOME OR TO A
NATIONAL CEMETERY SELECTED BY YOU, IN ADDITION YOU WILL BE REIMBURSED
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COLLECT TO THE COMMANDING GENERAL, MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP PENDLETON,
CALIFORNIA YOUR DESIRES IN THIS RESPECT, INDICATING THE NAME AND
ADDRESS OF THE FUNERAL HOME OR NATIONAL CEMETERY TO WHICH YOU WISH
THE REMAINS SENT AND WHETHER OR NOT YOU DESIRE AN ESCORT. THE
GOLDEN GATE NATIONAL CEMETERY, SAN BRUNO, CALIFORNIA, IS RECOMMENDED.

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YOUR HOME. LETTER WILL FOLLOW CONCERNING CIRCUMSTANCES OF **B-6**
B-6 M. I WISH TO ASSURE YOU OF EVERY POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE AND
TO EXTEND THE HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES OF THE MARINE CORPS IN YOUR
BEREAVEMENT. **B-6** MAJOR GENERAL, U. S. MARINE CORPS
COMMANDING.

BT
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R E CUSHMAN JR, MAJOR GENERAL USMC CAMP PENDLETON CALIF

I ^{B-6} WOULD LIKE FOR ^{B-6} TO BE SHIFTED
TO CERES FUNERAL CHAPEL, CERES CALIF

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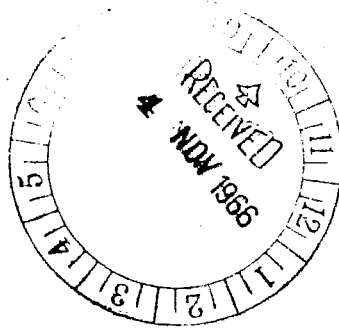
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MARINE JONES BASE OF HEN PENDLETON CALIF

SHIP JONES OF LAW 3 JAYAN CONNER TO ROLLINGS FUNERAL HOME
AT JONES BASE VICTORIA PLEASE NOTIFY ROLLING FUNERAL HOME
WHEN ROLLING HOME

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TOR 051740Z



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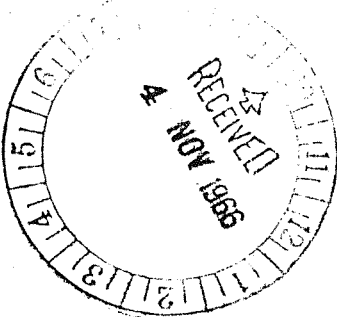
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THE COMMANDING GENERAL
MCB CAMP PENDLETON CALIF

WISH THE REMAINS OF LEWIS W CONNOR SENT TO ROLLINS
FUNERAL HOME KENOVA WEST VIRGINIA WOULD DESIRE AN ESCORT

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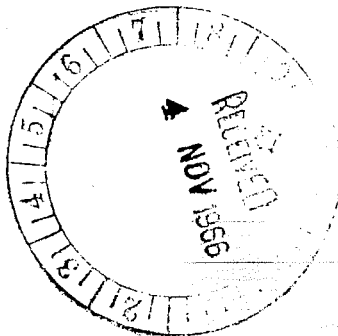
COMMANDING GENERAL MCB CAMP PENDLETON CALIF

PLEASE SHIP LCPL ROGER LEE ZARBOX TO WULFF MORTUARY 1485 WHITE BEAR
AVE ST PAUL MINN NOTIFY MORTUARY OF ARRIVAL TIME AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
REQUEST THAT ESCORT BE SENT

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TO: MARCORMAN
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SUBJECT: G. MARCORMAN
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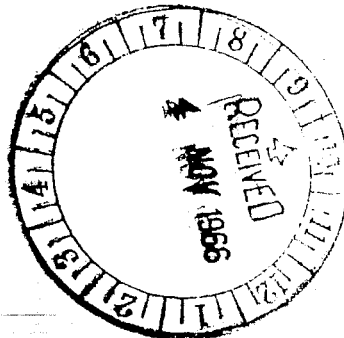
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A. MARCORMAN CAMP 032541Z PASSEP
B. TELECOM HQ 12THMD AND 1-1 CO K THIRDBN TWO THREEMAR USMC
C. MARCORMAN PASSEP
D. MARCORMAN PASSEP

1. MARCORMAN PASSEP (B) REQ YOU MAKE CONDOLENCES CALL TO MARCORMAN
2. REQ YOU PRINT MIL MONIES ILL MARCORMAN PAR 0616 AND CHAPTER 3
3. MARCORMAN PASSEP REQ YOU PRINT 1-1 CO K THIRDBN TWO THREEMAR USMC
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MESSAGE
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MARINE CORPS BASE
CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

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REMAINS OF *B-6*, PVT LEWIS W. CONNOR *B-6* USMC
ACCOMPANIED BY CPL G. D. REEVES *B-6* USMC AS ESCORT SCHEDULED
TO DEPART LOS ANGELES, CALIF., 1:00 AM 6 NOV 1966 VIA TRANSWORLD
AIRLINES FLIGHT NO. 72 TO ARRIVE CINCINNATI, OHIO, 9:27 AM 6 N.
1966. ROLLINS FUNERAL HOME, KENOVA, WEST VIRGINIA SIMILARLY
NOTIFIED AND REQUESTED TO MEET PLANE. YOU WILL BE INFORMED OF
ANY CHANGE IN SCHEDULE. DUE TO CIRCUMSTANCES OF DEATH REMAINS
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CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

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G. D. REEVES *B-6* USMC AS ESCORT SCHEDULED TO DEPART LOS ANGELES,
CALIF., 1:00 AM 6 NOV 1966 VIA TRANS WORLD AIRLINES FLIGHT NO. 72
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LOYAL E. CONNOR, FATHER, 902 WALNUT ST., KENOVA, WEST VIRGINIA
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BILL FOR TRANSPORTATION FROM AIRPORT TO YOUR MORTUARY TO
COMMANDANT, 5TH NAVAL DISTRICT, NORFOLK, VIRGINIA.
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REMAINS OF LCPL ROGER L. ZARBOX B-6 USMC, ACCOMPANIED BY CFL
A. C. ENDERLE, B-6 ; USMC, AS ESCORT, SCHEDULED TO DEPART SAN
DIEGO, CALIF., 12:15 PM 5 NOV 1966 VIA WESTERN AIRLINES FLIGHT NR
700Y TO ARRIVE MINNEAPOLIS. MINN. 6:50 PM 5 NOV 1966. B-6

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REMAINS OF B6, LCPL ROGER L. ZARBOK, B6 USMC, ACCOMPANIED
BY CPL A. C. ENDERLE, B6 USMC, AS ESCORT, SCHEDULED TO DEPART
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REMAINS PFC LESLIE W. HENDRIX B-U USMC ACCOMPANIED BY CPL
G.C. VARELA B-U USMC AS ESCORT SCHEDULED TO DEPART SAN
DIEGO, CALIF. 2:50 PM 5 NOV 1966 VIA UNITED FLIGHT NO. 520
TO ARRIVE SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. 4:40 PM 5 NOV 1966.

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YOU MEET PLANE. REQUEST YOU SUBMIT BILL FOR TRANSPORTATION
FROM AIRPORT TO YOUR MORTUARY TO COMMANDANT, 12TH NAVAL
DISTRICT, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.
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B-6 REMAINS OF YOUR SON PFC LESLIE
W. HENDRIX 2215749 USMC ACCOMPANIED BY CPL KG. C. VARELA
B-6 USMC AS ESCORT SCHEDULED TO DEPART SAN DIEGO, CALIF.
250 PM 5 NOV 1966 VIA UNITED FLIGHT NO. 520 TO ARRIVE SAN
FRANCISCO, CALIF. 4:40 PM 5 NOV 1966. CERES FUNERAL CHAPEL,
CERES, CALIF. SIMILARLY NOTIFIED AND REQUEST TO MEET PLANE.
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REMAINS OF ^B PFC LESLIE W. HENDRIX ^{B-6} USMC
ACCOMPANIED BY CPL G.C. VARELA ^{B-6} USMC AS ESCORT
SCHEDULED TO DEPART SAN DIEGO, CALIF. 2:50 PM 5 NOV 1966
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THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE HAS BEEN SENT TO B-6

I DEEPLY REGRET TO INFORM YOU THAT B-6 HENRY
TERRAZAS, B-6 USMC DIED ON 5 NOVEMBER 1966 AT
THE U.S. NAVAL HOSPITAL, CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA AS
A RESULT OF SEVERE BURNS RECEIVED WHILE FIGHTING A BRUSH
FIRE ON CAMP PENDLETON ON 2 NOVEMBER 1966. A TELEGRAM
REQUESTING YOUR WISHES CONCERNING DISPOSITION OF THE
REMAINS AND OTHER DETAILS FOLLOWS. PLEASE ACCEPT ON
BEHALF OF THE UNITED STATES NAVY AND MARINE CORPS, AND
MYSELF OUR HEARTFELT SYMPATHY IN YOUR GREAT LOSS.
B-6 CAPTAIN, MEDICAL CORPS,
U.S. NAVY, COMMANDING OFFICER.
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HEADQUARTERS
MARINE CORPS BASE
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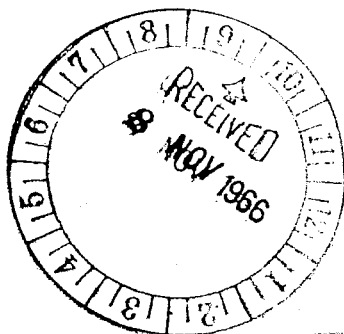
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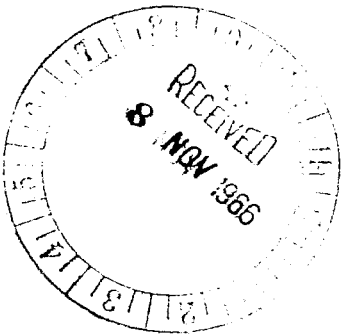


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REMAINS OF B6 PFC HENRY TERRAZAS, B6, USMC,
COMPANIED BY B6, AS ESCORT, SCHEDULED
TO DEPART SAN DIEGO, CALIF, 11:10 PM, 7 NOV 1966 VIA
AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT NO. 35 YN TO ARRIVE SAN ANTONIO,
TEXAS, 5:11 AM, 8 NOV 1966, DEPARTS SAN ANTONIO VIA BRANIFF
AIR LINES FLIGHT NO. BN 110Y, TO ARRIVE AUSTIN, 8:00 AM,
NOV 1966. MISSION FUNERAL HOME, 1615 E. FIRST ST., AUSTIN.
IF REPLY NOTIFIED AND REQUESTED TO MEET PLANE. YOU WILL
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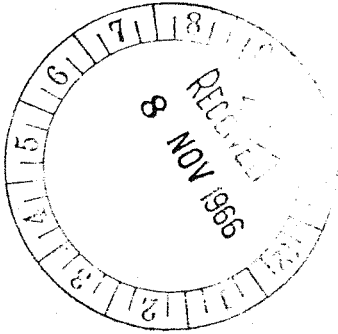
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REMAINS PFC HENERY TERRAZAS, ^{B-6} USMC, ACCOMPANIED BY
^{B-6} , AS ESCORT, SCHEDULED TO DEPART SAN DIEGO,
CALIF., 11:10 PM, 7 NOV 1966 VIA AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT NO. 35
YN TO ARRIVE SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, 5:11 AM, 8 NOV 1966, DEPARTS
SAN ANTONIO VIA BRANIFF AIR LINES FLIGHT NO. BN 110Y, TO ARRIVE
AUSTIN, 8:09 AM, 8 NOV 1966, ^{B-6}

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COMMANDANT, 8TH NAVAL DISTRICT, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA.
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B-6 AS ESCORT, CONTAINED
REPORT SAN DIEGO, CALIF., 11816 PM, 7 NOV 1966 AT
ALICORN AIRLINES FLIGHT NO. 35 IN TO ARRIVE SAN ANTONIO,
1966, 3:11 AM, 8 NOV 1966; DEPARTS SAN ANTONIO ON
BOEING FLIGHT NO. 34 IN TO ARRIVE AUSTIN, TEXAS,
NOV 1966. MISSION FURNISH LOGS, 1405 E. FTWY, AFB, TX, 78741.
SIMILARLY NOTIFIED AND REQUESTED TO MEET PLANE. YOU WILL
BE INFORMED OF ANY CHANGE IN SCHEDULE. DUE TO CIRCUMSTANCES OF
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION REQUESTED TO SUBMIT BILL FOR REIMBURSEMENT
FROM AIRPORT TO HQ. OF THE COMMANDANT, 8TH NAVAL DIST.,
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA.

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CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

- D. APPROX 0930 2 NOV 66 IN LAS PULGAS LAKE AREA, CAMP PENDLETON
FROM MULTIPLE EXTREME BURNS ENTIRE BODY WHEN FLAMES APPARENTLY
ENGULFED HIM WHILE HE WAS ENGAGED IN FIGHTING A SEVERE BRUSH
FIRE. FIRMS DETAILS PENDING INVESTIGATION.
E. REMAINS LOCATED AT USNH CAMPEN CALIF
F. ^{B-6}

- (MOTHER)
G. OFFICIALLY NOTIFIED:
1. YES, (FIGURE 12-25)

H. 12 NOV 65

I. INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY THIS COMD

J. PAY DATA:

1. PVT E-1
2. \$96.90
3. 11 MOS 21 DAYS
4. ^{B-6}
5. SAME AS FOX TROT
6. NO
7. SAME AS FOX TROT
8. \$10,000

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9. ^{B-6} (MOTHER) ^{B-6}
LUMP SUM

K. METHODIST

L. REQ DIR TWELVTH MARCOR DIST DESIGNATE UNIT TO MAKE CONDOLENCES

CAL..

- M. LCPL ROGER LEE ZARBOK, ^{B-6} USMC, DEAD
PFC LESLIE WADE HENDRIX, ^{B-6} USMC, DEAD
PVT LEWIS WAYNE CONNOR, M ^{B-6} 1, USMC, DEAD
PFC HENRY TERRAZAS, ^{B-6} USMC, CRITICAL

BT

S/S	
G-1	
G-2	
G-3	
G-4	
COMPT	
ADJ	
AUDIT	
CHAP	
COMMO	
OIC CSA	
DENTO	
DISBO	
DPO	
EXCHO	
FIRE CH	
FOOD DIR	
IRO	
ISO	
LEGO	
MAINTO	
MEDO	
MTO	
ORDO	
POSTO	
PROMAR	
PWO	
RL & TO	
SAF DIR	
SSO	
SUPO	
OIC GWR	
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OP/ORDW	
PERSO	
S & C	
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